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MINUTES OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY FOR

1859 to 1873

Education. studies in consequence of ill health; and in compliance with an order of Presbytery your Committee have advised David S. McAlister & James Albert Smith (graduates of Davidson College,) to teach school for at least one year.

It becomes the painful duty of your Committee to record the death of Mr. Colin A. Cameron, one of your Candidates, who departed this life on the 23rd of May last from injuries received at Brown Marsh depot, from the Train on the N. C. & R. Rail Road.

In the order passed at the last meeting of Presbytery, requiring the Churches to take up a special collection in behalf of the cause of Education, a portion of the Churches promptly responded and paid the sum of one hundred and seventy six and thirty cents ($176.30/100.)

The whole amount collected for the cause of Education since the 1st of last April to the 1st of October is $318.96/100.

In view of the embarrassments which surrounded the Executive Committee of Education at your last meeting, it is cause of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that our young men receiving aid in the prosecution of their studies, will in like manner be assisted for the next ensuing year. Since your last meeting the following appropriations have been granted to our candidates by the Committee of Richmond, Va. (viz;

To Laughlin K. Currie $200.00.
" Kenneth J. McDonald — 175.00.
" Angus McDonald — 175.00
" Edward A. Monroe 175.00
Amount in full — $725.00.

It is a cause for rejoicing to remind the Presbytery of the importance of this cause and that God is calling the Church with a spirit of liberality in so honorable a cause as that of preparing young

Education Concluded. men to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ to those who are dying in ignorance of the only name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Respectfully submitted

Oct. 7th 1871. H. McLean Chairman.

Employment of Candidates. The Committees of Education & Sustentation were appointed a Committee to employ our Candidates in the Theological Seminary during their Seminary vacations.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in the Church at 9 o'clock to morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

October 10th 1871. 9 o'clock A. M.

Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Absent. Rev. J. H. Cobb appeared & rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

The order of the day was taken up. Prayer was offered & remarks made by different members.

Commissions. Whereupon the matter of appointing Commissions of Ministers & Elders to visit all our Churches was referred to the Sustentation Committee, to which were added Rev.ds H. McLean & J. T. McPherson, — said Committee to report at our Spring Sessions. 1872.

The Presbytery again engaged in Prayer.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess of 5 minutes to meet in the Academy. After recess Presbytery met, when, on motion, the discussion on the subject of appointing Commissions was arrested.

Foreign Missions Report. The Agent on Foreign Missions, Rev. A. McLean, presented his report, which was accepted & adopted, and is as follows:—

Report on Foreign Missions:

Your Agent in presenting his report has to regret the want of

Foreign Missions. statistics, which adds so much interest to such reports.

It is a cause of rejoicing to every pious heart, to see the constant progress that is made in the great work of evangelizing the world. All branches of the Christian Church, as so many divisions of the one grand army of the Lord are advancing on the strong holds of the Kingdom of darkness. Our own Church, though small & impoverished, is advancing with energy & courage. And although standard-bearer after standard-bearer are falling victims to the hand of death, still, God is raising up others to take their places; & we still have twenty-eight labourers in the field.

Since our last report, Mr Inglis, the father of the Chinese Mission, after having spent about fourteen years in active & devoted Missionary labour, was called to his reward, & two others were forced to retire from the field on account of failing health. Still others are preparing to join the little band of Missionaries, & if the means are furnished, our missionary force will soon be larger than it ever was.

Our Missionaries seem encouraged by seeing the work of the Lord prospering in their hands. Nearly all report additions, small or greater to their Churches, & some of their small Congregations are making commendable effort to support their Ministers.

The contributions of the Church to this great work have steadily increased. The first five months of the current year, the contributions were nearly two thousand dollars ($2000.) in excess of what they were, in the same period, last year. Our own Presbytery has been making some progress in its offerings to this cause. But while the contributions of the whole Church have increased, the contributions of our Presbytery have diminished from $300. to $291. Of our forty-six Churches, thirty have contributed to this cause, the largest number that has

Foreign Missions—Concluded. contributed to this cause since the war. Still we can but regret the falling off in the aggregate contributions of our Churches, & hope that they will be stirred up, to give more liberally to this cause in the future.

Respectfully submitted

M. M. Dean Agent.

Narrative to Synod.

The Committee on the Narrative to Synod, submitted their report, which was accepted & adopted, & a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod:—

The facts received from the Churches indicate nothing remarkable in the religious condition of our people within the last twelve months. Our Churches are supplied with the stated means of Grace as well as for some years past, & but few actual vacancies exist. The attendance upon the services of the Sanctuary is represented as good, & the people attentive to the preached word.

Peace & harmony every where prevail among our people, & Ministers have been permitted to declare unto them the whole counsel of God. In most of the Churches Sabbath-schools & Bible classes are kept up, & much attention has been given to the instruction of the children & youth of the Congregations.

The contributions of the Churches to the various objects of benevolence have been small, much smaller, we are persuaded, than they should have been, & many of our members contribute nothing; but with this acknowledgement, we are rejoiced to believe, that a more enlightened Christian sentiment on this whole subject of worshipping God with our substance, is growing up among our people. Although there has been no general awakening on the subject of Religion in any of our Churches, small additions have been made to the most of them.

In reviewing the past, while we have cause to reproach

Narrative Concluded.

ourselves, that the Master's work has been so feebly done, & acknowledge the short-comings & failures of our people in many things; we have reason to be thankful, that Satan has not been permitted to spread any great vices or errours among us & hope, in the future, that God will bless our feeble efforts in turning many from the ways of sin & vice to his service & worship.

Oct. 10th 1871. } Respectfully submitted.

D. College.

The Stated Clerk presented & read the report of the Board of Trustees of Davidson College, & it was ordered to be filed among the papers of Presbytery.

Trustee Elected.

Rev. John M. Sherrod was unanimously re-elected a Trustee of Davidson College for four years.

Report on Systematic Benevolence.

The Committee on Systematic Benevolence submitted the following report, which was accepted & adopted: —

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, on the subject of Systematic Benevolence; That from the 12th of September 1870 to the 14th Sept. 1871: —

35 Churches contributed to Sustentation —		$296.99.
30.	Foreign Missions	" 339.09.
36.	Education —	" 374.62.
25	Publication —	" 131.56.
12.	Disabled Ministers &c.	" 136.03.
Whole amount for 12 months —		$1278.29.

This is a decided improvement on the previous year; but still there is reason to regret, that so many of our Churches do not seem to take any interest in our Church Schemes. Where does the fault lie? Just where we have often said in these reports — at the doors of Ministers, Ruling Elders & Deacons;

Systematic Benevolence Continued.

for if these schemes were properly explained & pressed upon the attention of our people, there is not one within our bounds that would not contribute something to each one of them.

Shall this state of things continue? Will our Church officers take the responsibility of withholding from the people an opportunity of doing their duty in this respect?

Therefore, let the officers of each Church, honour & make & feeble, determine that they will hereafter make an honest effort to collect something for each one of the objects of Benevolence recommended by our General Assembly.

Oct. 10th 1871. } Respectfully submitted.

Raft. Swamp Church.

In obedience to the order of Presbytery at our Spring Sessions, Rev. Hector McLean read a history of the old Raft. Swamp Church, which was accepted & ordered to be filed away, & a copy to be published in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

Centro & Bethel.

Rev. John H. Cobb was directed to prepare a history of Centro Church, & Rev. Hector McLean will a history of Bethel Church, & to report at our next regular sessions.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence was granted to Rev. J. M. Sherrod, H. G. Hill, D. D. McBryde & A. McLeod, & Col. T. J. Morrisey.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess for half an hour.

After recess Presbytery met.

Statistical Report.

The Stated Clerk read the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina; That they consist of 18 Ministers, & have under their care 46 Churches and Eleven candidates for the Ministry; That the 11th day of November 1870, they organized

Iona Church, in Robeson County, N.C. that on the 6th day of April 1871, they enrolled Rev. Joseph Evans, a foreign Minister, according to the order of Synod; that on 8th day of August 1871, they lost by death, Rev. Hector McAlister, & that on the 10th day of October 1871, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Malcom McNair, as Co-Pastor, & Lumber Bridge Church.

Oct 10th 1871. } Respectfully Submitted.

Pastoral relation dissolved.

Rev. Malcom McNair requested Presbytery to dissolve the Pastoral relation existing between himself, as Co-Pastor, & Lumber Bridge Church; & said Church concurring therein, his request was granted.

Vote of thanks.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted, —

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due & are hereby tendered to the Church & congregation of St. Paul's & other kind friends, for their generous hospitality during our present Sessions; & that their Stated Supply be directed to read this resolution from the pulpit, at his earliest convenience.

Ch. in Col. Aldermen's.

The Committee to organize a Church near Col. Aldermen's, reported, that, as yet, the way did not seem clear, & asked to be continued, which was granted.

The Committee appointed to revise the Assessment on our Churches reported, & after considerable discussion said report was not adopted.

Commissioners.

Our Commissioners to the last General Assembly reported that they had discharged that duty, & Col. T. J. Morisey

one of said Commissioners, likewise reported, that $1.60 unexpended funds, were in his hands, which he was requested to pay to the Treasurer pro tem.

Order on Treasurer.

The Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay to the Stated Clerk Fifty dollars.

Treasurer pro tem.

The Treasurer pro tem, Col. M. McL. McKay, made his report, which was accepted, & he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to Mr. C. A. McMillan, Treasurer of Presbytery.

Col. McKay reports as collected for Sustentation $248.74. Foreign Missions $20.50. Education $24.25. Publication $20.15. Disabled Ministers 55 cts & Presbyterial $33.15. In all $123.14.

The Minutes of this day were read & approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Fayetteville, N.C. during the Sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with prayer & the apostolic benediction.

J. S. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting.

Lecture Room, Presbyterian Church,
Fayetteville, N.C.
October 13th 1871.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator & was opened with prayer.

Minutes Gen. Ass.

The Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the General Assembly reported, that they had examined said Minutes & find nothing which seems to require any action of this Presbytery in addition to what has already been taken.

This report was accepted & the Committee discharged.

The following brethren rendered satisfactory reasons for

Excused. absence from the recent meeting of Presbytery at St. Pauls — Revs. N. McKay D.D. & Col. Wm. Shaw, Long Street & Geo. L. McKay, Bethlehem.

Relief Fund. The Committee on the Relief Fund, appointed at Buffalo, made a verbal report, which was accepted & the Committee discharged.

Adopted. Whereupon Presbytery adopted the following —

Resolved, That the Sessions of our Churches, in obedience to the injunctions of the General Assembly, lay the matter before their respective Congregations.

Endowment Fund. There being no report from the Agent of Publication, the following resolution was adopted —

Resolved, That we take up a collection for the Completion of the endowment Fund.

N. C. Presbyterian. A paper, in reference to the N. C. Presbyterian, was read by Col. W. McL. McKay, & referred to the following Committee to report thereon to-morrow morning, viz: Col. W. McL. McKay & Revs. Neill McKay D.D. & M. McLean.

Recess. Presbytery then took a recess to meet in this place at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

October 14th 9 o'clock A.M.

Presbytery met after recess.

Trial pieces for J. M. R. The Committee appointed at St. Pauls to assign trial pieces to Mr. John McAdam Rose reported the following, which were adopted —

Latin Exegesis — Lucis Peccatum est?
Critical Exercise St. John 1: 1–5 verses.
Popular Lecture — Psalm 130.
Sermon — Galatians 6: 15.

Mt. Tabor. The Committee to visit Mt. Tabor Church submitted the following report, which was accepted, viz:

Mt. Tabor Church, October 6th 1871.

Report. Number of Communicants 25. Number of children in Sabbath-School and youth 68. Sabbath School pupils 30, of which 20 are in the Bible Class. The amount that can be raised for the support of the Gospel $100. & perhaps more.

Bethlehem. The following Committee was appointed to visit Bethlehem Church & report at our Spring Sessions — Revs. D. D. McBryde & H. G. Neill & Col. W. McL. McKay.

N. C. P. Overture. The Committee appointed last night in reference to the N. C. Presbyterian, reported, when Revs. D. D. McBryde & Neill McKay D.D. were appointed a Committee to prepare & lay before Synod, an overture on this subject.

Presbytery then took a recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

October 14th 1871.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator, when the Minutes of the two preceding meetings were read & approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Philadelphus Church, Robeson County, N. C. On Friday before the second Sabbath in April 1872, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Closed with prayer.

J. F. McPherson
Stated Clerk.

One Hundred and Eighteenth Session.

Philadelphia Church,
Robeson County, N.C.
April 12th 1872.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and, in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. James McLean, was opened with a sermon by Rev. Martin McLean, from Jeremiah 3:15.- "And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding".

Opening Sermon.

Organiza.

After sermon, the last Moderator present, Rev. A. H. Fergueson, called Presbytery to order, and opened the sessions with prayer.

M. present.

Ministers present:

Hector McLean, J. T. McPherson, A. McMillan, D.D., McBryde, M. McLean, Arch. McLean, John H. Cobb, D. Fairley, M. McNair, A. H. Fergueson, K. M. McIntyre and Joseph Evans.

Churches represented.

Churches represented:

Antioch, James A. Smith; Bluff, John C. Smith; Big-Rockfish, Daniel McMillan; Buffalo, Daniel McIntyre; Carthage, D. P. Shields; Centre, John M. McKinnon; Fayetteville, B. Feller; Iona, D. C. McIntyre; Lacemburgh, John McIntyre; Lebanon, A. D. Wilkinson; Lumber Bridge, D. A. Mallory; McPherson's, Arch. Graham; Marks Creek, Daniel Currie; Mt. Carmel, W. H. Stewart; Mt. Tabor, W. H. Brown; Sandy Grove, Peter Monroe; and Smyrna, Alexander McRae.

Ms. Absent.

Ministers Absent:-

Hector McNeill, Niel McRae D.D., John M. Sherwood,

James McLean, N. T. Bowden and H. G. Hill.

Churches not represented.

Churches not represented:

Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Bethesda, Bon-Salem, China Grove & Cypress, Euphronia, Galatia, Harmony, Laurel Hill, Long-Street, Macedonia, Mizpeh, Montpelier, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sharon, St. Andrews & Tirza.

Mod. & Clerks.

Moderator and Clerks:

Rev. Malcom McNair was chosen Moderator, and Rev. John H. Cobb and D. C. McIntyre, Temporary Clerks.

Recess.

Recess:

Presbytery took a recess for thirty minutes.

R. E.s appear.

After recess Presbytery met, when Duncan McRae, Ruling Elder from Ashpole Church, and John A. McAlister, Ruling Elder of Lumberton Church, appeared in Presbytery, assigned satisfactory for their absence, & their sessions were marked.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of last meeting were read.

Rev. D. F. Church. excused.

Rev. D. Fairley rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last two meetings of Presbytery.

Mark's Creek, Mt. Tabor and Sandy Grove Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at the last sessions of Presbytery.

Trea. protem. F. Missions.

B. Feller was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Rev. M. McLean Agent on Foreign Missions, was excused from reporting at our present meeting.

Orders of the day.

Orders of the day:

Written reports from the sessions of Churches was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Report on Education was made the second order of the day for to-morrow morning.

The place and time for holding our Fall Sessions was made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Deaths announced;

Deaths of H. McNair & Sharrood. It was solemnly announced to Presbytery, that on the 23rd of November 1871, Rev. Hector McNeill departed this life, and that on the 6th of January 1872, Rev. John M. Sharrood departed this life.

Committees appointed. H. McNeill Sharrood. Whereupon, the following Committees were appointed to prepare suitable biographical sketches of these brethren: To prepare that in reference to Rev. Hector McNeill, Rev. M. McNair & H. McLean and John McLaughlin; and Rev. H. G. Neill and D. Fairley and B. Fuller, that in reference to Rev. John M. Sharrood.

Treasurer's Report;

Treasurer's Report. The Stated Clerk read the Report of our Presbyterian Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, which was approved and ordered to be published in the N. C. Presbyterian (see Appendix.)

The Session of Fayetteville was permitted, if they deem it proper, to transfer the $25. reported by the Treasurer of Presbytery from Colportage to publication.

Rev. D. D. McBryde in place of Rev. J. M. S. Rev. D. D. McBryde was appointed chairman of the Committee to organize a Church near Col. Alderman, in place of Rev. John M. Sharrood, deceased.

L. W. Currie;

L. W. Currie. It was made the order of the day for one o'clock P. M. to-morrow, to hear the trial sermon of Laughlin W. Currie, a Candidate under our care.

Historical Sketch.

Centre Ch. Rev. John H. Cobb reported that he was not prepared to read the History of Centre Church, and asked to be continued; which was granted.

Bethel Church;

Bethel Ch. Rev. Malcom McNair was appointed to prepare a historical sketch of Bethel Church, in place of Rev. Hector McNeill, deceased.

L. W. Currie;

L. W. C. Presbytery proceeded to hear the popular lecture and critical exercise of L. W. Currie, which were sustained as satisfactory parts of trial for licensure.

Order of the day;

Order of the day. The appointment of Commissioners to the General Assembly was made the second order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

L. W. C. Examination. Presbytery proceeded to examine L. W. Currie on Theology, natural and revealed, and the examination was sustained.

Presbytery also examined him on Church History, which was suspended until to-morrow morning.

Committees announced;

Committees Appointed. Religious Exercises — Rev. H. McLean, A. McMillan, Jas. A. Smith.
Minutes of Synod — Rev. D. D. McBryde & A. McLean & John C. Smith.
Narrative to General Assembly — Rev. M. McLean & L. McIntyre, & B. Fuller.

Rev. R. M. K. Rev. R. M. Kuy D. D. appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

On motion Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Philadelphus Church,
April 13th 1872.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The proceedings of yesterday were read, corrected & approved.

Rev. W. B. D.D. — Rev. William Brown D.D.

Rev. William Brown D.D. of East Hanover Presbytery, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. N. T. B. — A letter from Rev. N. T. Bowden was read, containing a satisfactory reason for absence, and asking permission to supply Harmony Church; which was granted.

Committees announced;

The Moderator announced the following Committees on Sessional Records:

Committees on Sess. Records. — Those of Antioch, Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, and Bethesda — Rev. Neill McKay D.D. and B. Feller.

Those of Ben-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage, Centre and Cypress Rev. A. McMillan and John McIntyre.

Those of China-Grove, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, and Laurel Hill — Rev. M. McLean & A. D. Willinson.

Those of Laurenburgh, Liberton, Long-Street, Lumber Bridge and Lumberton — Rev. A. McLean and John M. McKinnon.

Those of McPherson's, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpeh, Mineral Spring & Montpelier — Rev. K. M. McIntyre & John A. McAlister.

Those of Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Rockingham & Salem — Rev. A. N. Ferguson & W. H. Brown.

Those of Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Zion & Union — Rev. D. Fairley & Daniel McMillan.

Recess. — Presbytery took a recess of five minutes to meet in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met, when, on motion, it was

Written Reports. — Resolved, That the reading of the written reports of Church Sessions be dispensed with except as it regards Statistics; which Presbytery then proceeded to hear.

Note stricken out. — On motion, it was Ordered, That in the note to the Sessional Reports the words "spread upon the Minutes" be stricken out.

Rev. W. B. D.D. Heard. — Rev. William Brown, D.D. by request, addressed Presbytery on a possible Consolidation of the North Carolina & Central Presbyterian.

Presbytery took a recess for thirty Minutes, to meet in the Church.

After recess Presbytery met.

Pastoral Relation dissolved. — The pastoral relation between Rev. J. H. Coble and Centre Church was dissolved, and Rev. H. McLean was directed to preach there and declare the Church vacant.

Leave of Absence. — Leave of absence was granted to Archibald Graham.

Sessional Records approved. — The various Committees on Sessional Records reported, recommending the approval of those of Bethesda, Ashpole, Antioch, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Carthage, Centre, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Rockingham, Salem, Lauerenburgh, Liberton, Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, China Grove, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, & McPherson's; which were adopted, and Bethel, with an exception.

L. W. Currie's Sermon Sustained. — The order of the day was taken up, when Presbytery heard the trial sermon of L. W. Currie on John 6: 44. "No man can come unto Me, except the Father which hath sent Me draw him; and I will raise him up at the last day;" — which was sustained as a part of trial.

Stated Supplies;

Rev. J. H. Coble was permitted to supply Lauerenburgh and

Rockingham Churches — one half his time at each — on a salary of $500. from each Church.

Rev. D. D. McBryde was permitted to supply Lurdis Church one half his time at a salary of $100.

Rev. M. McLeod, Buffalo Church, one third of his time at a salary of $267.

Rev. J. Evans, to supply St. Paul's one third of his time, in the forenoon, at a salary of $225. and Mt. Tabor one third of his time, in the afternoon, at a salary of $100.

Report on Education.

Education.

Presbytery took up the order of the day, when the Report on Education was read and adopted, and is as follows:— The Committee of Education respectfully report to Presbytery, that there has been no change in the number of the candidates for the Ministry since your last meeting. There are still Eleven, viz: L. W. Currie and John McAden Rose, in Union Theological Seminary, Va; and Wilson James Kelly, David S. McAlister and James Albert Smith, in the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C. Kenneth and Angus McDonald Dougald and E. Marshall Munroe, in Davidson College; and Daniel McRae in Rev. Malcom McLaurin's School. Mr. A. M. McKinnon has not yet returned to College.

In compliance with your instructions, we advised Mr. McAlister and Mr. Smith to teach school, as soon as they were graduated, at least one year; but while they were endeavoring to procure schools, a way was generously opened for them to pursue their studies in the Theological Seminary at Columbia,

Education continued.

S. C. The amount contributed for this cause from the 1st of April to the 1st of October, 1871, by 30 of our Churches, including the special collection ordered by Presbytery a year ago, was $528.95.

And since October 1st, 1871, to April 1st, 1872, the amount contributed by 31 Churches is ---- $380.58.

Fifteen Churches have reported no contributions since your last meeting.

It is gratifying to your Committee to state, that during the present Collegiate and theological year our young men, who are dependent on the Churches for aid, received, with reasonable promptness, their first and second installments; but we regret to learn from a recent special appeal of Dr. E. T. Baird, Secretary of the Committee of Education, that the third installment was necessarily limited to the funds on hand. He says: "Great hopes were indulged that a late order could be passed at our meeting on the second Thursday of this month (March).

Accordingly, this was done, but it was necessarily limited to the amount on hand and to the disbursement of additional sums as they came into the Treasury.

"The fact is, that whereas the amount now actually due is $5000, the amount on hand is only $2.300. The Secretary, under the order of the Committee, will at once disburse this amount; and then can only await the contributions of the Churches and disburse the funds to the students as they are received.

"But another quarter's pay will be due in a few weeks. The whole amount necessary to be raised is about $8000 besides the money in the treasury, ready for disbursement."

In view of these facts, and also of the fact that the appropriation to a student in College is now limited by the General Assembly to $175. a sum barely sufficient, even with the

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utmost economy, to sustain him a year, and if he fails to receive this amount, he must unavoidably incur debts which will painfully embarrass him and greatly impede his progress, we therefore earnestly entreat all our people to be importunate in prayer and liberal and prompt in their contributions for this cause.

It is our painful duty to announce to you the death of the Rev. H. McNeill, a member of this Committee, who departed this life on the 25th of November 1871.

Respectfully Submitted

April 12th 1872. H. McLean, Chairman.

Trial pieces J. A. Smith.

J. A. Smith & D. S. McAlister;

The following trial pieces were assigned to Mr. James A. Smith:
1. Latin exegesis; Lege, vocale sient efficaciter?
2. Critical exercise; Job 21; 1—7 verses.
3. Lecture or exposition; Joel 2; 1—12 verses.
4. Popular Sermon; 1. Cor. 1; 18.

D. S. McAlister.

For David S. McAlister;
1. Latin exegesis; Quid est Corna Domini?
2. Critical exercise; Proverbs 8; 23—31, verses.
3. Lecture or Exposition; Habbakkuk 2; 9—14 verses.
4. Popular Sermon; Matt. 14; 12.

Records approved.

The Sessional Records of Sandy Grove, Smyrna & Union Churches were approved, and those of Mt. Carmel, with exceptions.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported; which was accepted.

Leave of Absence.

Leave of absence

After this evening, was granted to Duncan McNair, W. N. Stewart, Daniel Currie, Rev. A. McMillan, J. A. McAlister, D. C. McIntyre, Peter Munroe, James A. Smith, D. McMillan, D. A. Malloy,

Rev. Neill McKay D.D. and J. M. McLinson.

Barbacue Church.

Barbacue Church;

The following resolution was adopted with reference to Barbacue Church: Resolved, That Barbacue Church be directed to settle all arrearages due Rev. D. D. McBryde before employing any supply.

Place and time of next meeting.

Place and time of next meeting;

Presbytery proceeded to the order of the day, when Bethesda Church, Moore County, N.C. was chosen as the place of meeting, and Wednesday before the 2nd Sabbath in September (fourth day) 1872. at 12. o'clock M. as the time.

Commissioners Appointed.

Commissioners to G. Ass.

Commissioners appointed;

Rev. J. H. Cobb was appointed principal Commissioner to the General Assembly, and Rev. M. McNair, alternate.

Mr. W. D. Harrington, Ruling Elder of Euphronia Church, was appointed principal Commissioner to the General Assembly, and Mr. John C. Smith, Ruling Elder of Bluff Church, alternate.

300 Copies of Minutes.

Minutes to be published;

The Stated Clerk was directed to publish 300 copies of the Minutes of this meeting of Presbytery in pamphlet form; and also an abstract of the same in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

Trustee D.C.

Trustee of Davidson College;

Rev. David Fairly was elected a Trustee of Davidson College, in place of Rev. J. M. Shipwrod, deceased.

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Treasurer Elected;

Mr. C. A. McMillan was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the year ending April 1873.

Report of Treasurer pro tem.

Mr. B. Sutton, Treasurer pro tem, presented his report,

which was accepted, and he was directed to pay over the money in his hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Report of Treasurer pro tem. The Treasurer pro tempore would report that he has collected for Presbyterial Assessment $247.45. Sustentation $56.94. Foreign Missions $70.99. Education $31.12. Publication $47.64. Relief Fund $22.24.

Respectfully submitted.

April 13th, 1872. B. Fuller Tr. pro tem.

Leave of absence was granted to B. Fuller after to-day.

Orders on Treasurer;

Orders on Treasurer. The Treasurer was authorized to pay to each of the Commissioners to the General Assembly $25. and also $25. being the assessment of the Assembly on this Presbytery; for printing blanks for Sessional reports $8; and to Rev. J. P. McPherson as Stated Clerk $50.

Publication;

Rev. David Fairley, Agent for Publication, presented his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows;

Report on Publication. As far as we have been able to ascertain, the total amount of contributions to the cause of Publication within our bounds the past year is $243. Perhaps not more than one half of our Churches contributed anything to this important branch of the Church's work. This is a sad state of things; especially when we consider the value of the religious press in the evangelization of the world, the necessity and importance of a denominational literature, and the pressure that is now upon our Committee of Publication. They state that they are "embarrassed at every step for the want of more capital".

As a Presbytery, we have not yet paid our quota of the endowment

Publication concluded. fund. According to the estimate made by the Secretary, we are still due $2,163.— at least $1000. behind any Presbytery in our Connection. This is humiliating indeed!

The small amount of 28 cents from each Communicant will secure the desired amount. Therefore

Resolved, That our Churches be required at once to make a special Collection, at their earliest convenience, to pay our quota of the endowment fund.

2nd That, in the judgment of this Presbytery, the books of our Committee should be generally circulated among the Churches under our care, and consequently a suitable Colporteur shall be employed and sent into this field of labour as speedily as possible.

3rd That we recommend and appoint Mr. L. W. Currie as a suitable Colporteur for our Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted.

David Fairley.

Annual Report to General Assembly:

Annual Report. The Stated Clerk presented and read the Annual Report to the General Assembly, which was approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this house at half past nine o'clock Monday morning.

Closed with prayer.

Philadelphia Church, Monday morning April 15th, 1872.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The proceedings of Saturday were read and approved.

Supplies to vacant Churches reported a general discharge of that duty.

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Narrative:

The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly made their report, which was adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body.

Report—

of the state of Religion in Gaeyettville Presbytery to the General Assembly.

Our Presbytery respectfully report to your Venerable body, that there is nothing remarkable in the spiritual condition of our Churches. There has been no special outpouring of the Spirit upon any of our Congregations, or extraordinary ingathering of souls to the fold of Christ.

Still God has not left us without some tokens of His favour. All of our Ministers, with a single exception, report additions to their Churches, ranging in numbers from one to twenty; showing that our Churches are in a healthy and growing spiritual condition.

This is evinced further by a growing spirit of liberality among our people. They are beginning more fully to understand, that it is their duty to honour the Lord with the first fruits of all their increase—to worship Him with the first fruits of their hands as well as the fruit of their lips.

There is also a growing interest manifested in the training of our children in the doctrines of the Bible as set forth in our Catechisms and other religious literature of our Church. The past few years have wrought

Narrative concluded.

a great and encouraging change on this whole subject of the religious training of the rising generation, and Sabbath Schools have been greatly multiplied throughout our bounds.

While we would mingle our songs of rejoicing with those of sadness at the little progress we have made in building up our Redeemer's Kingdom, still we are constrained to record our gratitude to the great Head of the Church for the measure of success He has granted us in our work of winning souls to Him.

Respectfully Submitted.

M. McLean, Chairman.

Report on S. Schools.

Sabbath-Schools:

The Report of the Committee on Sabbath-Schools was accepted, and the resolution thereto appended adopted:

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.

The Committee on Sabbath-Schools would respectfully report to the Presbytery, that they are unable, for want of material that should have been furnished by the Sessions, to do more than group in one view the meagre statistics that are to be gleaned from the annual report of the Sessions to the Presbytery.

Although proper blanks can be furnished by our Committee of Publication at small cost very few have supplied themselves, and there have been so few responses to a special appeal made by the Committee, that it would be but waste of time to attempt more than a general summary of the intelligence furnished by the Churches, which, though comparatively unimportant in itself, may yet

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be of service as a reminder to the Sessions of their shortcomings, and an incentive to more diligence and greater fullness of detail hereafter.

An inspection of the reports shows that twenty-three Churches report Sabbath-Schools in active operation, comprising eight hundred and eighty-two scholars, having a total of over two thousand volumes in their libraries, taking three hundred and six copies of Sabbath-School papers, and contributing a total of Collections during the year of one hundred and thirty-nine dollars and ninety cents.

Your Committee regret that this report cannot be presented in that form which is required by the General Assembly, and that the information here given is almost, if not entirely useless to the Presbytery; but if the Churches will not comply with the duty required of them, the Committee can do no more than make clearly apparent that there is a delinquency which ought to be remedied.

Conclude.

They submit the following resolution for adoption by the Presbytery, viz:

Resolved, That our Church Sessions ought to procure the necessary blanks from our Committee of Publication upon which to make out their reports on Sabbath-Schools; that these reports ought to be considered and settled by the Sessions thoughtfully and prayerfully; and that Presbytery will regard a continued neglect of this subject as a grave dereliction of duty.

Respectfully submitted.

Philadelphia Church, April 13th 1872. } B. Keller, Chairman.

Minutes of Synod.

Minutes of Synod;

The Committee on the Minutes of Synod reported, they find nothing in said Minutes requiring action, which was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Systematic Benevolence;

The Report on Systematic Benevolence was approved, & a Copy ordered to be sent to the General Assembly.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly for the last six months ending April 1st 1872.

Objects	No. Congregations contributing	Amounts.
Relief fund for disabled Ministers	6.	$49 30.
Education	31.	280. 50.
Sustentation	25.	258. 59.
Publication	19.	130. 10.
Foreign Missions	21.	187. 28.
Total		$905. 77.

Philadelphia Church April 15th 1872. } J. P. McPherson Chairman.

Supplies granted.

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Permission was granted to Rev. A. N. Ferguson to supply Laurel Hill Church one half the time on a salary of $400. Lumberton one fourth $200. Euphronia one fourth $200.

McPherson's, Galatia and Lumber-Bridge were permitted to employ Rev. J. P. McPherson as Stated Supply, each one third of the time, and each one third of $800.

The following Churches were permitted to employ Rev. T. A. McIntyre as Stated Supply; Pee Dee one fourth of the time $200. Sharon, one fourth $200. Macedonia $150. Bethesda $250.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess of five minutes to meet in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met, when the examination of Mr. L. W. Currie, on Church History, was resumed, and afterwards sustained. Mr. Currie was then examined on the Sacraments and Church Government, which was also sustained as satisfactory parts of trial.

On motion, all three parts of trial were sustained as a whole.

Vote of thanks;

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due to the Congregation of Philadelphus for their generous hospitality to us during our present sessions, and that their Pastor, Rev. H. McLean, make known this action to them.

Adjourned meeting;

Adjourned meeting. It was Resolved, That when Presbytery adjourn, it adjourn to meet in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, N. C. on Wednesday, the 5th day of June, 1872, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Licensure of Mr. L. W. Currie;

Licensure of L. W. Currie. Presbytery then proceeded to license Mr. L. W. Currie as a probationer for the holy Ministry, in manner & form as prescribed in our Form of Government Chap. 14, Sec. 8.

At Philadelphus Church, Robeson County, N. C. the 15th day of April 1872. The Presbytery of Fayetteville having received testimonials in favour of Laughlin W. Currie; of his having gone through a regular course of literature; of his good moral character; and of his being in the Communion of the Church; proceeded to take the usual parts of trial for his licensure; and he having given satisfaction as to his accomplishments in literature,

Licensure continued. as to his experimental acquaintance with Religion, and as to his proficiency in Divinity and other studies, the Presbytery did, and hereby do, express their approbation of all these parts of trial; and he having adopted the Confession of Faith of this Church, and satisfactorily answered the questions appointed to be put to Candidates to be licensed; the Presbytery did, and hereby do, license him, that said Laughlin W. Currie, to preach the Gospel of Christ, as a probationer for the holy Ministry, within the bounds of this Presbytery, or wherever else he shall be orderly called.

A Copy of this License, duly attested by the Stated Clerk, by order of Presbytery, was placed in his hands.

Mr. Currie to supply vacant Churches;

L. W. Currie to supply W. Churches. Resolved, That Mr. L. W. Currie, a licentiate under our Care, be employed to preach to all our vacant Churches, & that they be required to pay him for his services, in proportion to the time he preaches for them, at a salary of $500. per year; and that he be required to sell the books of our Committee, and apply the profits to his salary, and that Presbytery guarantee to him Six hundred dollars per year.

Endowment Fund;

Endowment Fund. On motion, it was Resolved, That all the funds now on hand for the cause of Publication, and all that shall be contributed to that cause during the present year, shall be sent to the Endowment Fund; and that the Stated Clerk be directed to to instruct the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Statistical Report;

Statistical Report. The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that they now consist of Sixteen

Ministers, and have under care one Licentiate, 46 Churches, and 10 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 8th day of August 1871, they lost by death, Rev. Hector McAlister; that on the 10th day of October 1871, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Malcom McNair, as Co-pastor, and Lumber Bridge Church; that on the 23rd of November 1871, they lost by death, Rev. Hector McNeill; that on January 6th 1872, they lost by death Rev. John M. Sherwood; that on the 13th day of April 1872, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. John H. Coble and Centre Church, and declared said Church vacant, and that on the 15th day of April 1872, they licensed Mr. Laughlin W. Currie to preach the Gospel, as a probationer for the holy Ministry.

The Minutes of this day were read & approved. Presbytery then adjourned to meet in the Lecture-Room of the Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, N. C. on Wednesday, the 5th day of June 1872 at 10 o'clock A.M.

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STATISTICAL REPORT.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that they now consist of sixteen ministers, and have under their care one licentiate, 46 churches, and 10 candidates for the ministry; that on the 8th day of August, 1871, they lost by death Rev. Hector McAlister; that on the 10th day of October, 1871, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Malcom McNair, as co-pastor, and Lumber Bridge Church; that on the 23d of November, 1871, they lost by death Rev. Hector McNiell; that on January 6th, 1872, they lost by death Rev. John M. Sherwood; that on the 13th day of April, 1872, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. John H. Coble and Centre Church, and declared said Church vacant; and that on the 15th day of April, 1872, they licensed Mr. Laughlin W. Currie to preach the Gospel, as a probationer for the holy ministry.

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 16 Ministers, and has under its care 46 Churches, 1 Licentiate, and 10 Candidates, viz:

Ministers, Licentiates, and Candidates.		Post Offices.		Churches.		Communicants: Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Baptisms: Adult.	Infant.	Children in the Sabbath School and Bible Classes.	Funds Collected: Sustentation.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Disabled Ministers and widows and orphans of Ministers.	Pastors Salaries actually paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
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☞ NOTE.—All collections for Home Missions ought to be placed under the head of *Sustentation*. *Presbyterial* includes all moneys collected for Commissioners' and Contingent Fund, and for all other purposes strictly connected with the current expenses of Presbyteries.

Licenciates, 1; Pastoral Relations dissolved, 2; the Revs. Hector McAlister, Hector McNeil and John M. Sherwood, have been removed by death since the last report.

By order of the Presbytery,

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REPORT

Of C. A. McMILLAN, Treasurer of Presbytery of Fayetteville—April 6th, 1872.

SUSTENTATION.

Bethel, $4.75; Bethesda, 1.60; Bluff, 12.29; Big Rockfish, 9.00; Buffalo, 18.00; China Grove, 12.82; Fayetteville, 36.52; Galatia, 6.99; Laurel Hill, 30.00; Lebanon, 2.25; Mt. Carmel, 1.40; Mark's Creek, 1.10; Lumber Bridge, 10.85; Lumberton, 11.00; Long Street, 4.75; McPherson's, 13.29; Mt. Pisgah, 5.00; Philadelphus, 3.00; Pee Dee, 5.00; Rockingham, 4.33; Sardis, 46.65; Sharon, 2.00; St. Paul's, 6.50; St. Andrew's, 3.00; Tirza, 6.50: Total, $258.59.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Bethesda, $5.70; Bluff, 12.85; Buffalo, 22.45; China Grove, 6.41; Cypress, 7.25; Fayetteville. 39.69; Galatia, 13.39; Laurel Hill, 18.00; Long Street, 10.80; Lebanon, 2.50; Mt. Carmel, 1.40; Mark's Creek, 1.10; Mt. Pisgah, 6.00; Mineral Spring, 3.92; Pee Dee, 10.40; Philadelphus, 3.12; Rockingham, 4.33; Sardis, 9.24; St. Paul's, 13.75: St. Andrew's, 3.00; Sandy Grove, 3.38. Total, $189.28.

EDUCATION.

Antioch, $16.00; Barbecue, 3.36; Bethel, 3.70; Bluff, 17.20; Big Rockfish, 12.35; Buffalo, 13.85; China Grove, 6.41; Cypress, 7.25; Fayetteville, 32.19; Laurel Hill, 28.00; Lumber Bridge, 6.20; Laurenburgh, 4.00; Lumberton, 12.00; Long Street, 10.80; Lebanon, 2.50; Mt. Carmel, 1.45; Mark's Creek, 1.20; McPherson's 14.04; Mt. Pisgah, 10.00; Mineral Spring, 1.55; Pee Dee, 8.00; Philadelphus, 10.00; Rockingham, 4.34; Salem, 4.00; Sardis, 20.26; Sharon, 5.35; St. Paul's 1.00; Smyrna, 6.00; St. Andrew's, 1.75; Tirza, 8.00; Union, 7.88: Total, $280.58.

PUBLICATION.

Bethesda, $2.25; Buffalo, 13.00; China Grove 6.41; Euphronia, 7.50; Fayettville, 31.31; Galatia, 5.20; Lumber Bridge, 10.75; Lumberton, 8.20; Long Street, 5.68; Lebanon, 50 cts.; Macedonia, 1.85; Mt. Pisgah, 5.00; Pee Dee, 2.00; Mineral Spring, 1.50; Philadelphus, 1.25; Sardis, 7.85; Sharon, 3.50; St. Andrew's, 1.75; Sandy Grove, 4.30; Tirza, 10.30; $130.10.

DISABLED MINISTERS, &c.

Fayetteville, 32.37; Galatia, 6.03; Mineral Spring, 55 cts.; Pee Dee, 7.25; Philadelphus, 1.60; St. Andrew's, 1.50. Total, $49.30.

PRESBYTERIAL.

Barbecue, 10.00; Bethlehem, 3.00; China Grove, 10.00; Cypress, 8.00; Galatia, 10.00; McPherson's, 6.00; Mt. Pisgah, 4.00; Mineral Spring, 8.00; Philadelphus, 6.00; Rockingham, 3.00; Montpelier, 6.00; Miscellaneous, 1.60. Total, $75.60:

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April 6.—To cash on hand October 1st, 1871	$ 606 46
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CREDIT PER CONTRA.

By Foreign Missions	$ 375 93
Sustentation	260 66
Publication	167 42
Education	335 28
Disabled Ministers	105 27
Presbyterial	18 00
Bible Cause	30 00
Sundries	2 05
Cash on hand	305 30
	$1,599 91

The above account was exmined by the Auditing Committee and found correct.

Published by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting.

Lecture-Room Presbyterian Church
Fayetteville, N. C.
June 5th 1872.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer, by Rev. D. D. McBryde,

Present;

Ministers— J. P. McPherson, D.D., McBryde & H. G. Hill.

Ruling Elders— Alexander McKethan, McPherson & and Col. Wm. M. L. McRae, Fayetteville.

Sustentation;

Rev. H. G. Hill, Chairman of Committee of Sustentation, presented his report, which was accepted, adopted and ordered to be published in the North Carolina Presbyterian It is as follows—

The Sustentation Committee would make the following report to Presbytery:—

1st As to Ministerial Support.

We have now 16 laboring ministers—
7. are engaged in secular pursuits as a means of living.
9. Recieve $750. or more.
7. have promised them from $350. to $700.

2nd As to Contributions & Appropriations for Sustentation.

For year ending 1st April 1872, our Churches have contributed to Sustentation - - - - - $1,386. 18.

This amount is an advance of about $64, upon the previous year. Appropriations recommended & granted by Assembly's Committee for current year are as follows—

Sustentation.

For Revd James McLeod supplying Mt. Andrews & Mt. Pisgah Churches, one third of the time each $150.
For Revd N. T. Bowden supplying Harmony Church, 1 Sab. 75.
Whole amount $225.

Of these appropriations, the first installment was paid in March last; the second installment will be paid, the Assembly's conditions being complied with, in Oct. next.

3rd Respecting Contributions to, and Appropriations from the Invalid Fund.

For year ending April 1st 1872. our Churches contributed to this fund — — — — — — — — — — $123.43.

This sum is an increase of about $8. upon the contributions to this object the year before.

The Appropriations asked in Oct. 1871, for year ending 1st July 1872, are the following —

For Mrs James McNeill — $50. 00
" Miss Willie Ann Watson Hogshead — 50. 00
" Miss Susan Hogshead — 25. 00
" Miss Mary R. & David A. McAlister — 50. 00
Whole amount asked and granted $175. 00.

About $52. more asked from this fund, than has been contributed to it within a year.

$50. more asked for Miss Susan Hogshead, but as it was after the regular time for making appropriations from this fund, only $25. have been received.

The Appropriations received have all been paid, or are on hand for payment.

4th As to Supplies for vacant Churches

Bethlehem — Revd D. D. McBryde 1 Sab. and Sacrament.
Revd H. G. Neill 1 Sab.

Concluded.

Centre Revd Archibald McLean one Sabbath & sacrament.
Revd M. McNair one Sabbath.
Bon-Salem — Revd M. McLean one Sab. & sacrament.
Revd A. N. Ferguson one Sab.
Lizza Dr. N. McRae — one Sab.
Revd H. G. Neill — one Sab.
Sandy Grove — Dr. N. McRae one Sab.
Mizpeh — Revd A. McMillan one Sab. & sacrament.
Mark's Creek — Revd A. McMillan one Sab. & sacrament.
Mt. Carmel — Revd A. McMillan one Sab. & sacrament.

Respectfully submitted
H. G. Neill, Chairman.

Order on Treasurer $48.

Order on Treasurer for printing Minutes;

The Stated Clerk presented the account for printing & mailing the Minutes of our Spring Sessions — $48.00. which the Treasurer was ordered to pay.

J. McA. Rose employed.

Revd H. G. Neill from the Committee previously appointed to direct the labors of our Candidates during their Seminary vacations, reported, that an arrangement had been made for Mr. John McAden Rose to supply Big Rockfish Church, & the Swamp Station during the summer on a salary of $200.

Examined Theology, Ch. H. & C.

Presbytery then proceeded to examine Mr. John McA. Rose on Theology, Natural & Revealed, which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

He was also examined on Church History, the Sacraments and Church Government, which were also sustained.

Revd H. G. Neill was added to the Committee on Languages, & Mr. Rose was referred to the usual Committees for an examination

on his literary course. He was likewise directed to place his Latin Exegesis & Critical exercise in the hands of the same Committees for review.

Presbytery then took a recess until half past 3 P.M.

After recess Presbytery met.

Literary course sustained. The Committees to whom were referred the examination of Mr. Rose on his literary studies, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them, & recommended that his examination on these various branches of knowledge be approved as satisfactory, which was adopted.

L. Exegesis C. Exercise. The same Committees likewise reported that they had examined the Latin exegesis & critical exercise of Mr. Rose, & recommended their approval, which was adopted.

Lecture. Mr. Rose then read a Lecture on the 130th Psalm, which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial.

It was made the order of the day for 8, o'clock this evening, to hear the trial sermon of Mr. Rose.

Rev. H. McAlister. Revs. D.D. McBryde read a Biographical Sketch of the life & labors of Revd. Hector McAlister, which was approved & ordered to be published in the N.C. Presbyterian & recorded in the Biographical Sketch Book.

Assessment of Churches. It was ordered, that inasmuch as the Committee appointed to review the assessment of our Churches, had not been discharged, that they be directed to prepare & submit a report on that subject at our Fall sessions.

Visitation of Churches. The Committee of Visitation, not being prepared to report on the visitation of Churches, Revs. D.D. McBryde was added to the Committee, & they were directed to report at our Fall sessions.

Recess. Presbytery then took a recess to meet in the Church at 8, o'clock this evening.

Popular Sermon. After recess Presbytery met & took up the order of the day for this hour; when Mr. John McA. Rose preached a popular sermon on Galatians 6; 15. which was sustained.

License. On motion, all these parts of trial were sustained as a whole; when in due form, according to Form of Government Chap 14, Mr. Rose was licensed to preach the Gospel, as a probationer for the holy Ministry.

A Copy of this license, duly attested by the Stated Clerk, by order of Presbytery, was placed in his hands.

The Minutes of this day & evening were read and approved.

~~Closed with prayer & pastoral admonition.~~

~~J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk~~

Adjourned. Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Bethesda Church, Moore County N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in September (fourteenth day) 1872 at 12, o'clock M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Examined and approved
Charlotte Oct. 11. 1872

A.W. Miller, Moderator

One Hundred & Ninetenth Sessions.

Bethesda Church, Moore County N. C.
September 4th 1872.

Opening Sermon

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, & was opened with a sermon by Rev. A. T. Ferguson from Exodus 3:2. "And the Angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush; & he looked, & behold, the bush burned with fire, & the bush was not consumed".

Text.

Organized.

After sermon, Rev. A. T. Ferguson, the last Moderator present, took the Chair & opened the sessions with prayer.

Ministers present.

Ministers present:

H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, D. D. McBryde, M. McLaurin, J. H. Coble, H. G. Hill, D. Fairley, A. N. Ferguson & K. M. McIntyre.

R. Elders.

Ruling Elders present:

James S. Harrington, Barbecue; Neill Graham, Bethesda; Dr. H. A. McSwain, Bluff; D. M. Sinclair, Euphronia; M. E. Dye, Fayetteville; John McNeill, Laurel Hill; M. McKinnon, Laurinburgh; Duncan Brown, Long Street; Peter Brown, Lumber-Bridge; Alexander McLeckan, McPherson; L. C. McKinnon, Mineral Spring; M. J. McLeod, Mt. Carmel; Neill McLaud, Mt. Pisgah; A. D. Brown, Philadelphus; Dugald Monroe, Sandy Grove; J. T. McKinnon, Shorewood John G. Hunter, St. Andrews.

Ministers absent.

Ministers absent:

Neill McKay D.D., A. McMillan, James McLean, N. T. Bowden, A. McLaren, M. McNair & Joseph Evans.

Churches not represented.

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Ashpole, Bethlehem, Bethel, Big Rockfish, Beaufort, Carthage & Union, Centre, Cypress & China Grove, Galatia,

Harmony, Iona, Lebanon, Lumberton, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Montpelier, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Smyrna, St. Paul's & Tiza.

Moderator & Clerks.

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Rev. D. D. McBryde was chosen Moderator & Rev. D. Fairley & M. E. Dye [redacted] Clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess for half an hour.

After recess Presbytery met & proceeded to business.

Committees announced.

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The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Religious Exercises — Revs. K. M. McIntyre & M. McLaurin & Neill Graham.

Minutes of General Assembly — Revs. H. G. Hill & H. McLean & Dr. H. A. McSwain.

Narrative to Synod — Revs. K. M. McIntyre & M. McLaurin & M. McKinnon.

Treasurer pro tempore — M. E. Dye.

Absentees excused.

The following Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our Spring Sessions, viz: Barbecue, Bethlehem, Cypress & China Grove, Euphronia, Galatia, Laurel Hill, Long Street, Macedonia, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Sardis, Sharon, St. Andrews & Bin-Salim.

Rev. H. G. Hill rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from our Spring Sessions.

Order of the day fixed.

Orders of the day:

The place & time of the next meeting of Presbytery was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning, and Free Conversation on the state of Religion, the second order.

Foreign Missions:

Report on F. Missions.

Rev. M. McLeod, Agent for Foreign Missions, presented his report on that subject, which was accepted & adopted, & is as follows:—

More than Eighteen hundred years ago, the Great Head of the Church issued the Command, "Go ye into all the world & preach the Gospel to every Creature;" & yet to-day one two thirds of our race have never heard this name, the only name given under heaven among men, whereby we must be saved. But God now seems to be moving the hearts of His people to a feeling sense of the obligation resting upon them to obey this injunction, & all His people are increasing their efforts to send the glad tidings of salvation to those who are perishing in ignorance of the truth.

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Neither has He left them without tokens of His divine favour. Death has not been permitted to thin their ranks, nor have they been molested by the Enemies of the Gospel, & all seem encouraged in their fields of labour. Among these labourers our Presbytery is represented by Rev. J. H. Colton, a former member, & Mr. M. McCaskill, Ruling Elder of one of our Churches, who is teaching in Spencer Academy.

Thirty one of our forty six Churches are reported as giving $480.41 to this Cause, leaving fifteen reported as giving nothing. Of these fifteen non-contributing Churches, four are reported vacant, leaving eleven regularly supplied with the Gospel, but give nothing to send it to others. While no Church should be reported as doing nothing for the Cause of Foreign Missions, still we are glad to say the number is smaller than ever it has been, & while the amount contributed by our Presbytery is by far too small, still it is larger than it has been since the close of the war.

Conclusion.

Respectfully submitted. M. McLeod.

D. College.

Davidson College.

The Report of the Trustees of Davidson College was read, accepted & ordered to be placed on file.

Expenses to be paid.

On motion, it was Resolved, That hereafter the travelling expenses of our Trustees in Davidson College, be paid out of the Contingent Fund of Presbytery.

Trustees, Elected &c —

Rev. David Fairly was elected a Trustee of Davidson College for the term of four years, & Mr. John M. McLemore a Ruling Elder of Centre Church for the term of three years.

Education:

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Rev. H. McLean, Chairman of the Committee of Education, presented his report, which was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee of Education respectfully report: That since the licensure of Messrs L. M. Currie & John M. Alden Rose you have nine candidates under your care. Four of these, besides Mr. Rose, expect to pursue their studies the next year in the Theological Seminary, one in College, and the others, except one who is studying as his health permits, are teaching school, or will soon commence.

The embarrassment to which our students at College,

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Our own little Church is acting its part in this onward movement. Though it has been but a few years since we sent forth our first missionary, to-day we have Thirty Six labourers in the field, fourteen regularly ordained missionaries, & twenty two assistant missionaries & teachers. Of these labourers, twelve are natives of the Countries in which they are labouring. In addition to these twenty six labourers already in the field, eight, or ten more are prepared to go forth & engage in the work as soon as the means are furnished. Surely God is honouring our Church, as well as imposing solemn obligations. Nor has He called these labourers into His vineyard without inclining the hearts of His people to support them; & this year the contributions of the whole Church were seventy per cent in advance of any previous year.

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Education continued.

who need aid, have suffered the last two years, in consequence of not receiving the full amount of the appropriations granted them, has influenced your Committee to consent, that those who desire to teach school would do so, at least one year. Appropriations have been asked for two of your Candidates, for the next year, amounting to $375.00.

The amount received from this Presbytery by the Committee at Richmond from May 1st 1871, to May 1st 1872, was $631.95; and the amount contributed for this cause, as reported by our Treasurer, from April 1st 1872, up to September 2nd 1872, is $321.59.

The following Churches responded to the special collection for Education [illegible] General Assembly, viz: Sandy Grove, [illegible] Antioch, Lumber Bridge, [illegible] Philadelphus and Sardis.

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Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. September 4th 1872.

Hector McLean.

Report of Presbyterical Treasurer.

Report of Treasurer.

The Stated Clerk read the Report of our Presbyterical Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, which was approved and ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Order of the day.

The 14th invitation of Mr. Wilson, James McKay, one of our Candidates, was made the third order of the day for to-morrow.

Memorial Stations.

J. Committee to organize a Church near Col. Alderman's, reported,

that the way did not seem to be open yet, and asked to be continued, which was granted.

Money to be expended.

The following resolution was adopted;

Resolved, that any Candidate for the ministry under our care, who receives pecuniary aid from the Church and afterwards abandons preparation for the ministry for a secular calling, shall be required to refund the amount received, when able, to the Presbytery, and to pay the same to the Chairman of our Education Committee upon application.

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The Committee appointed to prepare a Biographical Sketch of the life and labours of Rev. Hector McNeill submitted this report, which was accepted and ordered to be copied in the Biographical Sketch Book, and the resolutions appended were adopted and are as follow:

1st Resolved, that the Presbytery feel sensibly the loss sustained in the death of this beloved brother. We bow in submission to the will of our Heavenly Father, who raised up this brother and gave him to us; while we regard his removal as a call to more faithfulness on our part, and to more earnest prayer for other labourers in the Lord's vineyard.

2nd. Resolved, We deeply sympathise with the immediate family and friends of our deceased brother. Their loss is indeed heavy. But we confidently commend them to that God and Saviour, who, by His presence, can more than supply the place of husband, father, or brother. May He comfort the stricken ones and enable them to say from the heart, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

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Malcom C. Lament, Ruling Elder of Galatia Church, & C. B. Currie, Ruling Elder of Ben-Salem Church, appeared in Presbytery and tendered

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The following Churches responded to the special collection for Education ordered by the late session of the General Assembly, viz: Sandy Grove, Galatia, Long-street, Tirza, Buffalo, Euphronia, Antioch, Lumber-Bridge, McPherson's, Big-Rockfish, Laurel Hill, Philadelphus and Sardis, amounting to $.144.67.

And now, while necessity compels your Committee to limit their requests for appropriations to fewer Candidates than formerly, we earnestly appeal to all the Churches to do something for this important cause; and especially would we appeal to those who have been punctual in their contributions not to relax their efforts, but increase them, for the harvest truly is plenteous but the labourers are few.

Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. September 4th 1872.

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Order of the day.

The resolution of Mr. Wilson Jameson McKay, one of our Candidates, was made the third order of the day for to-morrow.

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Malcom C. Lamont, Ruling Elder of Galatia Church, & C. B. Currie, Ruling Elder of Ben-Salem Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered

satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Rev. John M. Sherrod.

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The Committee appointed to prepare a Biographical Sketch of Rev. John M. Sherrod reported, that for want of some facts, which they had been unable to procure as yet, they were not ready to present their report, and asked to be continued, which was granted.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning. Close with prayer.

Thursday morning 9½ o'clock.

September 5th 1872.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

W. A. M. A. M. C.

Rev. A. M. McMillan, and Alexander McCastle, Ruling Elder from Harmony Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, the first order of the day was postponed, & the second, Free Conversation, was taken up, when verbal reports from the Churches were made.

Free Conversation.

Rev. D. D. McBride stated to Presbytery that the arrears due him from Barbecue Church were settled.

Rev. D. D. McB. & Barbecue.

Presbytery then took up the third order of the day, when Mr. Wilson James McKay preached his trial sermon, from 1st Corinthians 2: 2. which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

W. J. McK. Sermon.

The Latin Exegesis & Critical Exercise of Mr. McKay were ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee on Languages.

L. Exegesis. C. Exercise.

Presbytery then took a recess for thirty minutes.

Recess.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

Bethlehem Church.

The Committee appointed to visit Bethlehem Church submitted their report, which was adopted and is as follows:

They visited Bethlehem Church, and conferred with its members as to their present condition and future prospects.

1st. The unanimous opinion seems to be, that there is no prospect of Bethlehem ever becoming a self-sustaining Church in its present location.

2nd. The very general impression is that, under existing circumstances, it must inevitably become extinct.

3rd. The general impression further seems to be, that if removed to a more central and more suitable location in the vicinity, there would be a reasonable prospect, with the Divine blessing, of building up a Church of much usefulness; and in view of these facts, your Committee are of opinion, that Presbytery should recommend Bethlehem Church to remove its Church edifice to such a point as will best answer these ends.

J. H. Rowan.

J. H. Rowan, Ruling Elder from Union Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

L. Exegesis & C. sustained.

The Committee on Languages reported, that they had examined the Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. McKay, & recommended that they be sustained as satisfactory parts of trial, which was adopted.

Lecture — Examined.

Mr. McKay then read a Lecture or Exposition on Ephesians 1st: 1—7 verses, which was sustained.

He was then examined on Theology, Natural & Revealed, Church History, the Sacraments and Church Government; all of which were sustained.

On motion, all of these were sustained as a whole.

Presbytery then proceeded to license him in due form, as prescribed in our Form of Government, Chap. 14. Sec. 8. When the Stated Clerk placed in his hands a copy of his license, properly attested,

N.C.P.

The North Carolina Presbyterian.

The following resolution was introduced by Rev. H. G. Hill and unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville heartily approve of the effort now being made to raise a capital of $10.000. for the North Carolina Presbyterian; and urge its Ministers & Church officers to use their best efforts to have taken as many $25. shares of stock as possible.

Sustentation.

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The Rev. H. G. Hill, Chairman of the Committee of Sustentation, presented his report, which was adopted and is as follows:

Report of Sustentation Committee.

Your Committee would make the following report:

1st. As to Ministerial Support.

We have 16 labouring ministers. Of these at least 7 must live, in fact, by secular pursuits. Of the remaining 9, as appears from the Column appropriated in our annual statistical report to "Pastors' Salaries actually paid", many have their stipends irregularly and inadequately paid.

2nd As to Contributions and appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year ending April 1st 1872, our Churches Contributed $386. 18, This is an advance of $64, for this object, upon the Contributions of the previous year. Since our last report for the five months ending September 1st 1872, 13 Churches have reported to our Treasurer, for Sustentation $81. 11.

Appropriations for the current year.

For Rev. James McLean, ministering to St. Andrews and Mt. Pisgah, one third of the time each — $150. 00.
" W. S. Lowdin, Supplying Harmony Church one Sabbath in the month " 75. 00.
Whole amount — $225. 00.

Continued. The first instalment of these appropriations was paid in March last. The second will be paid in October next, when the brethren receiving aid assure your Committee that they have complied with the Assembly's Conditions respecting collections, and preaching upon the grace of giving.

Judging from the past annual Contributions, we will probably furnish the Assembly's Sustentation fund this year $450. more than we draw from it.

3rd Contributions to Invalid Fund.

For the year ending April 1st 1872, our Churches Contributed to this fund — $123. 45.

This is an increase of about $5. upon the previous year. The appropriations asked for the year ending the 1st of last July amounted to $175. and though they exceeded our Contributions to this object by $52. yet they have all been paid by the Assembly's Committee.

For the 5 months ending September 1st 1872, 8 Churches have reported to our Treasurer for the Invalid Fund $39.92. No applications for appropriations from this fund have been made since our last report, but they will be forwarded by the 1st of October. Unless Churches increase their contributions to this object, we cannot ask for as much as in previous years.

4th Supplies for vacant Churches.

During the summer your Committee, as authorized by Presbytery, in connection with the Committee of Education, have caused John M. Rose, a licentiate, to be employed at Rockfish Church and the Swamp station, on a salary of $200. for the four months.

Vacant Churches.

Bethlehem —	1. Sabbath and Sacrament —	D. Fairley.
Bin-Salem	1. " " "	K. M. McIntyre.
Mizpah —	1. " " "	J. H. Cobb.
Big-Rockfish	1. " " "	H. G. Hill.
Lebanon —	1. " " "	Hector McLean.
Swamp Station	1. " " "	D. D. McBryde.

Your Committee also recommend that Presbytery direct our Licentiate, Mr. Laughlin W. Currie, to labour for the next six months at Bethlehem, Ben-Salem, Lebanon, Big-Rockfish and Swamp Station, and that these preaching points be required to contribute to his annual salary of $600. in proportion to the time given them.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hill, Chairman.

Publication. Publication:

Rev. David Feeley, Agent for Publication, submitted his report, which was adopted and is as follows:

Your Agent of Publication would report that $227. have been contributed during the past year - a decrease of $16. from contributions of the previous year.

Your Colporteur, Mr. L. W. Currie, has been much embarrassed in his efforts for want of means to enable him to furnish books. The Presbytery needs a fund of at least $210. as a basis of operation. In view of this -

Resolved, 1. That greater efforts be made by our Pastors and Church Sessions to increase the funds for this object.

Resolved, 2. That the Church Sessions be urged, at once, to take up a Special collection for the establishment of this Colportage fund.

Centre Church. Rev. J. H. Cobb, previously appointed to write a historical Sketch of Centre Church, reported that he was not prepared to do so, whereupon he was continued.

Buffalo. Rev. Martin McLean was appointed to prepare a similar sketch of Buffalo Church.

Report. The Commissioners to attend the meeting of the

Commissioners. General Assembly in Richmond, Va. in May last, reported that they discharged that duty, which was accepted.

Pres. fund. The Committee appointed to review the Assessment on the Churches in reference to the Presbyterial Fund, submitted their report, which was accepted and laid on the table.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, September 6th 1872.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, & was opened with prayer.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee appointed to arrange for the visitation of the Churches, not being prepared to report, were continued.

Leave of absence. Rev. A. McMillan and Alexander McCaskill obtained leave of absence.

Statistical Report to Synod.

Statistical Report. The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved and a copy ordered to be sent to Synod.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they now consist of 16 ministers, and have under their care 3 Licentiates, 46 Churches and 9 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 23rd day of November 1871, they lost by death, Rev. Hector McNeill; that on the 6th day of January 1872, they lost by death, Rev. John M. Sherwood; that on the 18th day of April 1872, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. John H. Cobb and Centre Church, and declared said Church vacant; that on the 15th day of April 1872, they licensed Mr. Laughlin W. Currie to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry, and that on the 5th day of September 1872, they licensed Mr. Wilson James McKay to preach the Gospel as a

probationers for the holy Ministry.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

Bethesda Church, Sept. 6th 1872. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Assessment.

A Committee, to revise the assessment on the Churches, was appointed, consisting of Revs. M. McQueen, and J. H. Cobb, and A. D. Brown. This Committee had leave to retire.

Minutes Gen. Ass.

Minutes of General Assembly.

The Committee on the Assembly's Minutes report as follows:

They would direct the attention of Presbytery to the following items in the Assembly's proceedings:

To the report of the Standing Committee on Sustentation — resolutions 2nd, 3rd & 4th on page 163.

To the resolution sending the Revised Book of Discipline down to the Presbyteries for adoption or criticism, on page 164.

To the appointment of the third Thursday in November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer in all our Churches, on page 166.

To the discouragement of Baptism by immersion, on page 167.

To the report of the Standing Committee on Systematic Benevolence — resolutions 1st Series 2nd 3rd and 4th. Second series 1st on page 168.

To the report of the Standing Committee on Education resolutions 4th and 5th on page 170. This fifth resolution relates to the observance of the last Thursday of February next, as a day of prayer for youth.

Ass. Minutes.

To the Report of the Standing Committee on Sabbath Schools — resolutions 1st 2nd and 3rd, on page 174.

Your Committee recommend that the Book of Discipline mentioned on page 164, as sent down to the Presbyteries, be referred to a special Committee of three, who shall examine it, discuss its merits, if they think proper, through the N. C. Presbyterian, and report to the next meeting of Presbytery.

They furthermore recommend that the other acts and Resolutions of the last Assembly herein specified, be read and explained, at an early day, to our Congregations by all our ministers.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Keith. Chairman.

Com. on Revised Book. Narrative.

The Committee on the Revised Book of Discipline was appointed, consisting of Revs H. G. Keith & H. McLean & B. Fetter Elders.

Narrative.

The Committee on the Narrative to Synod submitted their report, which was adopted & a copy ordered to be sent to Synod.

The Committee on the Narrative to Synod report, that the state of Religion in the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery is indicated by the following facts:

1st. All the Churches enjoy the stated means of grace — two every Sabbath, eleven every two weeks, seven every three weeks and the rest every four weeks.

2nd. With two or three exceptions, all the Churches report additions — from, an average of twelve; the rest from one to two. Only one (Buffalo,) reports a remarkable outpouring of the Spirit and work of grace.

3rd. All the Churches report contributions to the various benevolent objects, though some in small amounts, and all report individual members who cannot be induced to contribute any thing.

Concluded. 4th Most of the Churches report Sabbath Schools, Bible Classes and Prayer-meetings, conducted by the Elders and Deacons.

Orders on the Treasurer.

An order on the Treasurer in favour of Rev. J. P. McPherson for $26. and one in favour of Rev. H. G. Hill for $22. the same being for travelling expenses as Trustees in Union Theological Seminary, Prince Edward, Va. in May 1872.

Systematic Benevolence.

Report on Systematic Benevolence for 6 months, ending April 1st 1872.

Objects	No. Congregations	Amount Contributed.
Relief Fund	6.	$19. 30.
Education	31.	280. 50.
Sustentation	25.	258. 59.
Publication	19.	130. 10.
Foreign Missions	21.	187. 28.

For 5 months ending Sept. 1st 1872.

Foreign Missions	28.	326. 22.
Education	21.	221. 59.
Publication	17.	97. 32.
Sustentation	11.	81. 24.
Disabled Ministers &c.	10.	46. 54.
Evangelist Fund	1.	12. 00.

Whole amount contributed in 12 months — $1,690. 68.

Included in the above is the special collection for Education ordered by the Assembly, amounting to $144. 67. contributed by 13 Churches.

The Historical Sketch of Bethel Church was not reported.

Abstract Minutes 300 copies. The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish an abstract of our present proceedings in the "N. C. Presbyterian", and also 300 copies

of the Minutes in pamphlet form, as soon as there are funds in hand to pay for the same.

Ass. 5 copies. The Stated Clerk was likewise ordered to procure annually 25 copies of the Minutes of the General Assembly for our Ministers and Churches.

Place and time of Spring meeting.

Place and time of Spring meeting. Big-Rockfish Church, Cumberland County, N.C. was chosen as the place for holding our Spring Sessions, and Thursday before the second Sabbath in April 1873, at 12. o'clock, M. as the time.

S. Grove Rev. R. L. H. Sandy Grove Church obtained permission to employ Rev. Neill McKay D.D. one fourth of his time.

Report of Treas. pro tem. Report of Treasurer pro tem.

The Treasurer pro tem. would report, That he has collected for Presbyterial Assessment $18. Invalid Fund $41.35. Evangelist Fund $24.47. Education $22.75. Foreign Missions $21. Sustentation $3.65. Total — $131.22.

M. E. Dye, Treasurer pro tem.

This report was accepted, and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to Mr. C. A. McAllister, Treasurer of Presbytery.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due to the Congregation of Bethesda for their generous hospitality to us during our present Sessions, and that their Stated Supply, Rev. R. L. McIntyre, announce the same to them.

Assessment Pres. fund.

Assessment for Presbyterial Fund.

The Committee to whom was referred the financial Condition of Presbytery, Report, That they have had the subject under consideration, and have reached the following

Assessment continued. Conclusions, viz: Annual expenses of Presbytery, including the following items:

Salary of Stated Clerk $500; stationery $5. Salary of Treasurer, (after this year,) $35; stationery $5. Commissioners' Fund $100. Trustees of Davidson College $30. Directors of Union Theological Seminary $40. Assessment of Synod $40. Assessment of General Assembly $25. Printing of Minutes of Presbytery $80. Total -- $410.00.

The Committee would state, that the reduction of the salary of the Stated Clerk was made at his own suggestion.

To raise the above amount, the Committee recommend the following Assessments:

Antioch	$12.	Macedonia	$5.	Lebanon	$5.
Ashpole	25.	Mizpeh	2.	Long-Street	8.
Bethel	10.	Mineral Spring	8.	Lumber-Bridge	8.
Boabacue	10.	Montpelier	5.	Sandy Grove	8.
Bethlehem	3.	Mt. Carmel	4.	Sharon	6.
Bethesda	10.	Mt. Pisgah	6.	Smyrna	12.
Bro. Salem	8.	Mt. Tabor	5.	St. Pauls	15.
Bluff	14.	Pedee	10.	St. Andrew's	6.
Big Rockfish	10.	Philadelphus	10.	Tirza	10.
Buffalo	25.	Rockingham	3.	Union	20.
Carthage	12.	Salem	3.	Total	$455.00.
Centre	20.	Sardis	10.		
Cypress	8.	Fayetteville	30.		
China Grove	10.	Galatia	12.		
Euphronia	10.	Harmony	5.		
Lumberton	8.	Iona	8.		
McPhersons	8.	Laurel Hill	18.		
Marks Creek	2.	Laurinburgh	8.		

All of which is respectfully submitted.

McLeod Chairman

This report was adopted.

Mt. Cir. Carmel. Marks Creek Church obtained leave to employ Rev. A. McMillan one fourth of his time, and Mt. Carmel one half, the salary agreed upon to be reported at next meeting of Presbytery.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in the City of Charlotte, N.C during the Sessions of Synod, at the Call of the Moderator.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Lecture Room Presbyterian Church,
Charlotte, N.C October 12th 1872.

Presbytery met at the Call of the Stated Clerk, the Moderator not being present, when Rev. A. T. Ferguson, the last Moderator present, took the Chair & opened the meeting with prayer.

Present: Ministers - J. P. McPherson, M. McLeod, A. T. Ferguson, H. G. Hill and K. M. McIntyre.

Ruling Elders - W. J. Smith & Duncan Bethune.

There being no business requiring our action, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Big Rockfish Church, Cumberland County, N. C. Thursday before the second Sabbath in April 1873, at 12. o'clock M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Bethesda.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Ashpole, $18 87; Antioch, 6 52; Bethel, 3 45; Ben-Salem, 7 35; Bethesda, 9 30; Buffalo, 26 40; Bethlehem, 8 25; China Grove, 6 00; Centre, 34 15; Big Rockfish, 10 31; Galatia, 11 87; Laurel Hill, 10 00; Lumber Bridge, 8 35; Lumberton, 16 75; Long Street, 4 00; Lebanon, 2 20; McPherson's, 12 70; Mt. Pisgah, 5 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Pee Dee, 6 55; Salem, 10 00; Sharon, 2 00; St. Paul's, 11 75; St. Andrew's, 2 00; Sandy Grove, 6 45; Tirza, 4 00; Union, 19 00; Miscellaneous, 62 00. Total..... $326 22

EDUCATION.

Ashpole, $12 87; Antioch, 4 60; Buffalo, 14 25; China Grove, 6 00; Centre, 9 50; Euphronia, 16 50; Big Rockfish, 10 34; Galatia, 9 20; Laurel Hill, 6 75; Lumber Bridge, 8 35; Long Street, 8 00; Lebanon, 1 75; McPherson's, 18 42; Montpelier, 1 00; Philadelphus, 8 00; Sardis, 27 61; Smyrna, 5 25; St. Andrew's, 4 00; Sandy Grove, 1 20; Tirza, 20 00; Miscellaneous, 28 00. Total..... 221 59

PUBLICATION.

Ashpole, 12 87; Antioch, 4 77; China Grove, 6 00; Centre, 7 50; Galatia, 4 63; Laurel Hill, 21 25; Laurinburgh, 2 50; Long Street, 12 00; Lebanon, 2 25; Montpelier, 1 00; Mineral Spring, 1 80; Mt. Carmel, 1 00; Mark's Creek, 25 cents; Salem, 8 00; St. Paul's, 5 50; St. Andrew's, 2 00; Tirza, 4 00. Total..... 97 32

SUSTENTATION.

Ashpole, $18 87; Antioch, 5 52; Bluff, 7 00; China Grove, 12 00; Centre, 18 10; Long Street, 4 00; Lebanon, 2 30; Montpelier, 1 00; Mineral Spring, 1 55; St. Andrew's, 2 00; Union, 8 90. Total..... 81 24

PRESBYTERIAL.

Ashpole, $18 00; Antioch, 10 00; Bethel, 7 45; Ben-Salem, 8 00; Bethesda, 8 00; Bluff, 12 00; Buffalo, 18 00; Carthage, 12 00; Centre, 40 00; Euphronia, 10 00; Big Rockfish, 10 25; Laurel Hill, 15 00; Laurinburgh, 6 00; Lumber Bridge, 5 00; Lumberton, 5 00; Long Street, 6 00; Montpelier, 3 00; Mt. Carmel, 4 00; Mark's Creek, 2 00; Pee Dee, 8 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Sardis, 10 00; Salem, 3 00; Sharon, 5 00; St. Paul's, 12 00; Smyrna, 12 00; St. Andrew's, 5 00; Sandy Grove, 5 00; Tirza, 10 00; Union, 18 00. Total..... 290 70

Big Rockfish.

Minutes

DISABLED MINISTERS.

Ashpole, 15 87; Antioch, 5 52; Long Street, 1 48; Macedonia, 1 00; Mt. Carmel, 85 cents; Pee Dee, 5 50; Sharon, 1 80; St. Paul's, 6 75; St. Andrew's, 2 00; Tirza, 5 77. Total..... $46 54

EVANGELIST FUND.

Laurel Hill, 12 00. Total..... 12 00

Whole amount received..... $1,075 61

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR EDUCATION BY ORDER OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Sandy Grove, 1 20; Long Street, 6 00; Galatia, 9 20; Tirza, 20 00; Buffalo, 14 25; Euphronia, 16 50; Philadelphus, 8 00; Antioch, 4 60; Lumber Bridge, 8 35; McPherson's, 11 87; Big Rockfish, 10 34; Laurel Hill, 6 75; Sardis, 27 61. Total, $144 67.

FUNDS ON HAND, SEPT. 1st, 1872.

Education, $95 91; Foreign Missions, 364 70; Presbyterial, overdrawn, 25 79; Sustentation, 154 01; Disabled Ministers, 130 21; Publication, 12 00; Colportage, 25 00.

Remitted since Sept. 2nd.:

Education, $95 91; Sustentation, 154 01; Disabled Ministers, 72 48; Publication, 130 21.

Examined and found correct.

D. A. RAY,
S. T. HAWLEY,
Committee.

Sept. 3d, 1872.

CASH BALANCE.

Dr.

Sundries, to-wit:

Cash on hand as per last report, April 6th, 1872		$ 305 30
Foreign Missions	$ 326 22	
Education	221 59	
Publication	97 32	
Sustentation	81 24	
Presbyterial	290 70	
Disabled Ministers	46 54	
Evangelist	12 00	1075 61
		$1,380 91
To balance		833 72

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By Presbyterial	$361 54
Education	185 65
Cash on hand	833 72
	$1,380 91

C. A. McMILLAN, Treasurer.

REPORT OF TREASURER *pro tem.*, Sept. 6, 1872.

Bluff—Invalid Fund, 11 00; Evangelist Fund, 7 43. Total,	$18 43
Carthage—F. Missions, 7 00; Education, 8 00	15 00
Euphronia—F. Missions, 7	7 00
Harmony—Sustentation, 2 80; Presbyterial, 10 00	12 80
Laurel Hill—Education, 18 00; Invalid, 7 00	20 00
Lumberton—Invalid Fund, 10 00	10 00
Mark's Creek—Education, 1 75	1 75
Mt. Carmel—Sustentation, 85 cents	85
Sardis—F. Missions, 7 00; Invalid, 13 35; Evangelist, 17 04	37 39
Mineral Spring—Presbyterial, 8	8 00
	$131 22

Recapitulation.

Presbyterial Fund	$ 18 00
Invalid Fund	41 35
Evangelist Fund	24 47
Education	22 75
Foreign Missions	21 00
Sustentation	3 65
	$131 22

M. E. DYE, Treas. *pro tem.*

Minutes
of the
Presbytery of Fayetteville
at their
One Hundred and Twentieth Sessions
held at
Big Rockfish Church,
Cumberland County, N.C.
April 10th–12th
1873.

Big-Rockfish Church,
Cumberland County, N. C.
April 10th 1873.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. D. D. McBryde, Moderator, from John 16: 14, first clause: —

Opening Sermon.

Text.

"He shall glorify me."

After sermon, the Moderator took the chair and opened the sessions with prayer.

Present.

Present:

Ministers — H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, N. McKay D.D. D.D. McBryde, James McLean, Archibald McLean, J. H. Coble, D. Fairley, M. McNair, A. T. Ferguson & R. A. McIntyre.

Churches represented — Antioch, Col. A. McMillan; Ashpole, A. S. Buie; Bethesda, D. C. Blue; Big-Rockfish, Dr. D. Sinclair; Centre, John M. McKinnon; Galatia, Duncan Shaw; Iona, Dr. J. D. Brown; Lumber-Bridge, Hector McLeckow; Lumberton, John A. McAlister; McPherson's, Joseph A. McArthur; Mineral Spring, A. McN. Currie; Mt. Pisgah, Dr. J. Small; Sandy Grove, Peter Munroe; Smyrna, Col. R. J. McLean; St. Paul's, D. Bethune and Tirza, Gen. A. D. McLean.

Absent.

Absent:

Ministers — A. McMillan, M. McLean, N. T. Bowden & Joseph Evans.

Churches not represented — Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Ben-Salem, Bluff, Buffalo, Carthage & Union, Cypress & China Grove, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Laurel Hill, Laurinburgh, Lebanon, Long-Street, Marks-Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Shiloh and St. Andrew's.

Mod. & Clerks.

Rev. John H. Coble was chosen Moderator, and Rev. A. McLean and Duncan Shaw, temporary Clerks.

Presbytery took a recess for half an hour.

After recess Presbytery met. The reading of the Minutes of last Sessions was postponed for the present.

Davidson College.

A Communication from the Faculty of Davidson College was read, requesting that hereafter the Trustees in that Institution be elected in the fall; — which required no action, as that is the time to elect Trustees in that Institution.

Trustees excused.

Revs N. McKay D.D. A. McLean and M. McNair rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our fall sessions.

The following Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our last meeting: Ashpole, Centre, Cypress and China Grove, Montpelier, Smyrna, St. Paul's, Tirza, Salem, Lumberton and Big-Rockfish.

Rev. James McLean rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Presbytery.

R. Es. appear.

The following Ruling Elders appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness and non-enrollment, viz; M. N. Campbell, Long-Street and William Warden, Fayetteville.

James A. Smith.

J. A. Smith.

Mr. James A. Smith, a Candidate under our care, was referred to the Committees on Languages and Arts and Sciences, for an examination on his literary course.

Orders of the day.

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The place and time for the next meeting of Presbytery was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning, and to hear written reports on the state of Religion, the second.

Rev. J. M. Sherrod.

Rev. John M. Sherrod.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Biographical Sketch of Rev. John M. Sherrod submitted their report, which was read and accepted, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted, and are as follow:

Preamble & Resolutions adopted.

As expression of our estimate of brother Sherrod, and of our feelings respecting his decease, we would present the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, In this wise but inscrutable Providence, it has pleased God to remove our beloved brother, Rev. John M. Sherrod, from his earthly toils to his eternal rest and reward:

1st Resolved, That with unfeigned sorrow, humble submission and Christian hope, we bow to this expression of Jehovah's will, comforted by the well grounded assurance that our departed brother has exchanged the scenes of probation for the realms of glory.

2nd Resolved, That by this afflictive dispensation, the Church has lost a faithful servant, society an honored member, Religious journalism an efficient worker, and our Presbytery a brother "highly esteemed in love for his work's sake" and for his rare personal qualities.

3rd Resolved, That we tender to the bereaved family of our departed brother, our Christian sympathies, and commend them to Him who has promised to be "the Father of the fatherless and the God of the widow."

4th Resolved, That our Stated Clerk be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to brother Sherrod's family.

3rd order of the day.

The following resolution was adopted ——

Resolved, That the reports of the several Committees on Sustentation, Education &c. be made the third order of the day for to-morrow morning.

Union Seminary.

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A Communication from the Board of Directors of Union Theological Seminary, in reference to a change of the time of holding our Spring meetings, was read & referred to the Committee on Education.

Treasurer's Report.

The Stated Clerk presented the Report of our Presbyterial Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, which was approved and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

(See Appendix A.)

Order of day.

The appointment of Commissioners to the General Assembly, was made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last sessions of Presbytery at Bethesda Church, and also of the adjourned meeting at Charlotte, N.C. were read.

Ruling Elds. appr.

Maj. John McNeill, Ruling Elder of Laurel Hill, and James P. Hodges, Ruling Elder of Sardis, appeared and tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Committees announced.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Religious Exercises - Revs. H. G. Hill and Dr. D. Sinclair.

Minutes of Synod - Revs. A. McKay DD. & R. N. Ferguson & Alex McMillan.

Narrative to General Assembly - Revs. DD. McBryde & L. McLaurin & Intyre & J. M. McKinnon.

Sessional Records.

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Antioch, Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethel (Bethel church) and Bethesda - Rev. D. Fairley & A. S. Buie.

Big-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage, Centre & Cypress - Rev. M. McNair and Dr. J. D. Brown.

China Grove, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Galatia, Harmony, Lower Laurel Hill - Rev. James McLean and A. McK. Currie.

Lauchlinburg, Lebanon, Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton & McPherson's - Rev. H. McLean and Dr. J. Small.

Mark's Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier &

Continued. Mt. Carmel — Rev. A. McQueen & D. Bethune.
Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Rockingham and Salem — Rev. H. M. McIntyre & Col. A. J. McQueen.
Sardis, Sandy Grove, Wheeler, Cheraw, St. Paul's, St. Andrews, Tirzah & Union — Rev. M. McQueen & J. A. McArthur.

Closed.

Revised Book of Discipline.

Revised Discipline. At the request of Rev. H. G. Hill, Chairman of the Committee on the Revised Discipline, Presbytery had an interchange of views on that subject; after which Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Big Rockfish Church, April 11th 1873.

Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. M. McQueen appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

R. Es. appear. The following Ruling Elders appeared, rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and were enrolled, viz:
A. R. McDonald, Carthage; John McIntyre, Laurinburgh; Daniel McIntyre, Raffido; G. L. McKay, Bethlehem & Wm. McNair, Salem.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to M. N. Campbell after 12 o'clock to-day, and to A. R. McDonald after this evening.

Mr. John Elliott, Ruling Elder of Chino Grove, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Place & time of next meeting.

Place & time of next meeting. Presbytery took up the first order of the day for this morning, when Laurinburgh, Richmond County, N. C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the second Sabbath in October 1873, at 11 o'clock A.M. as the time for holding our fall sessions.

Written Reports.

Written Reports. Presbytery took up the second order of the day for this morning, when reports from Church Sessions were read. After the reading had progressed for some time, it was resolved that only the Statistics be read.

Rev. J. Evans. Pending these exercises, Rev. Joseph Evans appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness. The Moderator appointed him Chairman of the Committee on Religious Exercises.

J. A. Smith & Angus McDonald. The Committee on Languages reported that they had examined Mr James A. Smith on languages, & recommended that this examination be sustained; and also that they had examined Mr. Angus McDonald on Latin & Greek, and recommended that these examinations be sustained, which was adopted.

L. Exegesis & C. Exercise. The Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. Smith were referred to the Committee on Languages.

3rd order afternoon. It was made the second order of the day for this afternoon, to hear the trial sermon of Mr. James A. Smith.

Sustentation.

Rev. H. G. Hill, Chairman of the Committee of Sustentation, read his report, which was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix B.)

Rev. T. L. DeVeaux.

Rev. T. L. DeVeaux. Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, of the Presbytery of Florida, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Presbytery took a recess for 45 minutes.

Commissioners Chosen. After recess, Presbytery met & took up the order of the day for this hour. Rev. Neill McKay D.D. was appointed principal, & Rev. H. M. McIntyre, alternate, to the General Assembly at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Geo. A. D. McLean, Ruling Elder of Tiffa Church was appointed principal, & Mr. Dougald C. McIntyre Ruling Elder of Lona Church, alternate.

Orders on Treasurer. On motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay to each of the above Commissioners, Fifty Dollars ($50.) & also Twenty Five Dollars ($25.) the assessment of the General Assembly on this Presbytery.

Sermon. Sermon.

Presbytery then heard the trial sermon of Mr. James A. Smith on the text previously assigned him - 1st Cor. 1:18. - which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial.

The Committee on Religious Exercises made their report, which was accepted.

Arts & Sciences Smith & McDonald. The Committee on Arts and Sciences reported that they had examined Mr. James A. Smith on these subjects, and recommended that it be sustained; and also that they had examined Mr. Angus McDonald, except on Chemistry, and Mental & Moral Philosophy, and that said examination be likewise sustained, which was adopted.

Mr. W. M. McGilvary.

W. M. McGilvary. Mr. W. M. McGilvary, a member of Raffalo Church and a graduate of Davidson College, was introduced to Presbytery as a candidate for the holy Ministry. Mr. McGilvary was examined on Experimental Religion and his motives in seeking the Ministry. His examination was approved and he was taken under our care as a candidate, and referred to the Committee on Languages for an examination on his literary studies.

F. Missions. Rev. M. McQueen, Agent for Foreign Missions, read a report

on that subject, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix C.)

Education.

Education. Rev. H. McLean, Chairman of the Committee on Education, read a report on that subject, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix D.)

The following resolution appended to that report, was adopted—

Resolved, That it be enjoined on the Sessions of all the Churches within our bounds, to adopt such measures as, in their judgment, will best secure contributions to this cause from all our members.

Publication. Publication.

Rev. D. Fairley, Agent for Publication, read his report, which was accepted & ordered to be printed in the Appendix. (See Appendix E.)

The following resolutions appended thereto were adopted:—

1st. That the Sessions be required to lay before their respective congregations, from time to time, its claims to their consideration & regard.

2nd. That they inaugurate some system whereby they may be enabled to make additions, at least annually, of our publications to their libraries.

It was further Resolved, That hereafter the Treasurer of Presbytery be ordered to pay over all the monies sent up for Publication, to the Endowment Fund, until our proportion of that fund is paid.

Supplies. Supplies.

The Committee of Sustentation recommended the appointment of the following Supplies, by ordained Ministers, till the fall meeting of Presbytery:

Bethlehem - Rev. D. D. McBryde 1 Sabbath & Sacrament.
Bro. Salem .. Rev. A. N. Ferguson 1. " " "

Supplies.

Mizpah, —	Rev. J. H. Cobb	1.	Sabbath & Sacrament.	
Forza —	Rev. Neill McKay D.D.	1.	"	"
Lebanon —	Rev. M. McNair —	1.	"	"
Bethesda —	Rev. M. McLean	1.	"	"
Lumberton —	Rev. A. McLean	1.	"	"

Time to and money.

The following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That all our Churches be directed to send Contributions to Sustentation and other benevolent objects, to our Presbyterial Treasurer, annually, before the middle of March, so that their Contributions may appear opposite their names in the statistical reports to the Presbytery and Assembly.

Sabbath-Schools.

Report on Sabbath-Schools.

D. Fallin Esqr. Chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-Schools, submitted his report, which was accepted, ordered to be printed in the appendix, and a copy to be sent to the General Assembly. (See Appendix D.)

Minutes of Synod.

Minutes of Synod.

The Committee on the Minutes of Synod, report, that they find nothing therein requiring the special attention of Presbytery, which was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Revised Book of Discipline.

Revised Book.

The Committee appointed to review and report respecting the Revised Discipline sent down by the last General Assembly, would recommend that the following answer be returned to the Assembly:

Not approved.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville have examined the Revised Discipline, and appreciate the diligent labours of the Assembly's Committee. They find in it many things to approve, and some changes that they can not sanction; yet in the divided state of sentiment in the Church in regard to the proposed changes,

they deem it best to defer wholesale efforts at revision, and to discharge the revising Committee.

This report was adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence, after this evening, was granted to Rev. N. McKay D.D.

Visiting Committees.

Visiting Committees.

The Committee previously appointed to divide the Presbytery into Districts, with a view to stimulating the people to greater liberality, submitted their report, which was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee appointed to devise some plan for dividing the Churches of the Presbytery into Districts, to be visited by Committees of Ministers and Elders, for the purpose of increasing the Christian Liberality of our people, would report as follows: We recommend that the Presbytery be divided into the following 8 Districts, with their corresponding Visiting Committees, of two Ministers each, and that these Ministerial Committees, be directed to associate with themselves, two Elders at discretion:

Districts —	Churches —	Committees.
First.	Euphronia,	Rev. James McLean
	Buffalo,	Rev. M. McLean
	Union,	and two Elders.
	Carthage,	
	Ben-Salem, and	
	St. Andrews.	
Second. —	Salem,	Rev. N. McKay D.D.
	Mt. Pisgah,	Rev. D. Fairley

Big-Rockfish.

Second — Barbecue, and two Elders.
Toiza,
China Grove, and
Cypress.

Continued.

Third. — Sardis, Rev. H. G. Hill
Bluff, Rev. D. D. McBryde
Bethlehem, and two Elders.
Fayetteville,
Big-Rockfish and
Swarey Station.

Fourth — Macedonia, Rev. H. M. McIntyre
Sharon, Rev. W. T. Bowden
Pee Dee, and two Elders.
Mt. Carmel,
Harmony and
Mineral Spring.

Fifth — Galatia, Rev. J. P. McPherson
Sandy Grove, Rev. M. McNair
Bethesda, and two Elders.
McPherson's
Long-Street and
Bethel.

Sixth — Rockingham, Rev. John H. Cobb
Laurinburgh, Rev. Andrew McMillan
Laurel Hill, and two Elders.
Smyrna,
Mizpeh and
Marks Creek.

Seventh — Montpelier, Rev. Hector McLean

Big-Rockfish.

Centre, Rev. Joseph Evans
Antioch, and two Elders.
Lumber Bridge,
St. Paul's and
Mt. Tabor.

Included. Eighth — Philadelphus, Rev. A. McCuiren
Lumberton, Rev. A. H. Ferguson
Lebanon, and two Elders.
Iona and
Ashpole.

Your Committee also recommend, that these visiting Committees, endeavor to see at least one third of the Churches within their inspection districts, during the present year; that they hold for two days, religious services in each Congregation; that they urge on each Church the adoption of some plan of weekly giving, or of Collections every Sabbath they attend worship; and that they report to Presbytery, from time to time, until all our Churches have been thus visited.

Respectfully submitted. H. G. Hill, Chairman.

Church organization desired.

Petition for Ch. Organization. A petition praying for the organization of a Church at Flat Branch, in Harnett County, was read; whereupon Revs Hill, McKay, and Ruling Elder, J. P. Hodges, were appointed a Committee to visit that neighborhood and organize a Church there, if the way be clear.

Narrative.

The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly, made their report, which was adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body. It is as follows:

Narrative

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that our Churches are generally in a condition, which, while hopeful and indicating gradual growth, is not up to the standard of spiritual life and zeal which should characterize the household of Faith.

There have been three or four instances of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the revival of Religion, the additions in one instance numbering 139. There have been other instances of a work of grace of less magnitude. Of the thirty two Churches furnishing Reports, all but four report additions ranging from one to 139. The 28 Churches reporting accessions, have added on examination and profession of faith an average of 12 members. Our Churches, though far from the standard of duty in the grace of giving, are learning to give systematically and with increased liberality - they are learning to glorify God with their substance.

The reports from our Churches constrain Presbytery to record its confession of a too general dereliction of duty on the part of its Churches in the important matter of family religion - Catechetical instruction and the faithful coöperation of the Church officers in edifying the body of Christ.

Finally, the spiritual condition of our Churches presents cause of humiliation - of more earnest prayer for the outpouring and presence of the Spirit of God upon all our Ministers, officers and Church members - and at the same time calls for devout gratitude for what God has done for us, in giving seasons of refreshing from His presence, and in continuing peace and harmony and some degree of prosperity throughout all our borders.

The Committee appointed to organize a Church near Col. Alderman's, made a verbal report and were continued.

Historical Sketch of Centre Church.

Centre Ch.

Rev. J. H. Cobb read a Historical Sketch of Centre Church, which was received and ordered to be filed in the office of the Stated Clerk.

Sessional Records approved.

The following Sessional Records were approved: Galatia, Euphronia, Laurel Hill, Salem, Sardis, Philadelphus, Buffalo, Carthage, Ashpole, Antioch, Bethel, Union, St. Paul's Lauriburgh, Lumber Bridge, McPherson's and Lumberton.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at 9½ o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Saturday, April 12th, 1873.

Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Sessional Records appr'd.

The Sessional Records of Lance, Mineral Spring, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Centre, Rockingham, Sandy Grove, Bethlehem and Smyrna were approved.

L. Exegesis & Cr. Exercise J. A. S.

The Committee on Languages reported that they had examined the Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. James A. Smith, and recommended that they be sustained as satisfactory parts of trial, which was adopted.

Leave of absence, J. A. S. examined Theology &c.

Leave of absence was granted to Revs. A. W. Ferguson & D. Fairley and Maj John McNeill.

Presbytery examined Mr. James A. Smith on Theology - Natural & Revealed - Ecclesiastical History, Church Government, and the Sacraments. Finding these examinations Presbytery took a recess of 5 minutes, to meet in the Academy.

On motion, the above examinations were all sustained as satisfactory parts of trial for licensure.

Lecture. Mr. Smith then read a Lecture prepared by order of Presbytery, which was likewise sustained.

All Sustained. On motion, all these parts of trial were sustained, as a whole, and it was made the first order of the day for this afternoon, to license him to preach the Gospel.

Records app'd. The Sessional Records of Fayetteville Church were approved.

Adjourned meeting at Centre Ch. On motion, it was Resolved, That Presbytery hold an adjourned meeting at Centre Church, Robeson County, N. C. on the 10th day of July 1873, at 11 o'clock A.M.

W. M. McGilvary.

W. M. McG. Examined, Sustained. The Committee on Languages and Arts and Sciences reported that they had examined Mr. M. McGilvary on these branches of study, and recommended that said examinations be approved, which report was adopted.

Treasurer instructed. The Treasurer of Presbytery was instructed to close his report by the 31st of March in each year.

Salary $50. On motion, the annual salary of the Treasurer of Presbytery was fixed at Fifty Dollars.

C. A. McMillan Chosen. Presbytery then proceeded to the election of a Treasurer for one year, when Mr. C. A. McMillan was unanimously chosen.

Systematic Benevolence.

Systematic Benevolence. The Presbytery of Fayetteville report to the General Assembly, on the subject of Systematic Benevolence, that for 5 months, ending September 1st 1872.—

28 Churches contributed to Foreign Missions		$326. 22.
21. " " " " Education	"	" 221. 50.
17. " " " " Publication	"	" 97. 32.
11. " " " " Sustentation	"	" 81. 24.
10. " " " " Disabled Ministers &c.	"	" 46. 54.

tinued. 1. " " " Evangelist's Fund		$ 12. 00
Total Contributed for 5 months		" 784. 91.
From September 1st 1872 to April 5th 1873.		
16. Churches contributed to Foreign Missions		$. 226. 01.
30. " " " Education		339. 91.
16. " " " Publication		140. 66.
26. " " " Sustentation		284. 97.
9. " " " Disabled Ministers &c		116. 02.
10. " " " Evangelist Fund		82. 80.
10. " " " Colportage		63. 31.
Total		$1,253. 68.

This report was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

Leave of Absence. Leave of absence was granted to Revs. M. McNair, D. D. McBryde and R. McQueen and Ruling Elders James P. Hodges, Dr. D. Sinclair, Col. A. J. McQueen and John Elliott.

Supplies. Supplies. Ministers appointed to supply vacant Churches reported the general discharge of this duty.

Annual Report. Annual Report to the General Assembly was presented by the Stated Clerk, approved, & a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body. (See Appx. B.)

Recess. Presbytery took a recess of 45 minutes to meet in the Church.

After recess Presbytery met.

Trial pieces Rel. D. The following trial pieces were assigned to Mr. Kenneth McDonald— Latin Exegesis— "An est Christus Divinus?" Critical Exercise— Matthew 5: 33—38 verses. Lecture— Psalm 23. Sermon— John 3: 16.

Presbytery then took up the order of the day, when

J.A. Smith Licensed.

Mr. James Albert Smith

was licensed, in due form, to preach the Gospel, as a probationer for the holy Ministry.

Statistical Report.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was approved.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Report to the General Assembly that, at present, they consist of 16 Ministers, and have under their Care 4 Licentiates, 46 Churches and 8 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 5th day of June 1872, they licensed Mr. John McAdam Rose to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 5th day of September 1872, they licensed Mr. Wilson James McKay to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 12th day of April 1873, they licensed Mr. James Albert Smith to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry, and that the next regular meeting will be held at Laurinburgh, Richmond County, N.C. October 9th 1873.

Respectfully Submitted

Big-Rockfish Church, April 12th 1873. } J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due to the Congregation of Big-Rockfish for their generous hospitality during our present Sessions, and that their Stated Supply, Rev. Joseph Evans, be directed to read this resolution from the pulpit.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess of 5 minutes to meet in the Academy.

500 Copies of Minutes

After recess Presbytery met, and, on motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to have published in pamphlet form, 500 Copies

Minutes. of the last and present Sessions of Presbytery.

Stated Supplies.

Buffalo Church.

Buffalo Church.

Rev. A. McQueen read a historical Sketch of Buffalo Church, which, at his own request, he was permitted to retain in his hands for the present, to make some further additions.

Further Supplies for Lumberton.

Lumberton.

At the request of Lumberton Church, the following additional Supplies were granted, viz: Revs H. McLean, Joseph Evans and H. G. Hecht, each one Sabbath.

Permission to employ Supplies.

Permission was granted to Smyrna Church to employ Rev. Archt. Ferguson, as Stated Supply, one half of his time, on a salary of $400. per annum; to Laurinburgh, to employ Rev. J. H. Cobb two thirds of his time on a salary of $666. and also to Rockingham to employ him one third of his time, on a salary of $333. to St. Paul's, to employ Rev. Joseph Evans, one Each Sabbath, on a salary of $500. and also to St Andrew's, Mt. Pisgah and Barbecue, to employ Rev. James McQueen, each one third of the time.

Barbecue Church.

Rev. James McQueen was directed to prepare a historical Sketch of Barbecue Church.

New Book of Records.

New Book of Records.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was authorized to draw on the Treasurer a sum sufficient to purchase a new Book of Records.

L.W. Currie.

Mr. L. W. Currie made a verbal report as Evangelist & Colporteur, which was accepted.

Treasurer pro tem.

Treasurer pro tem.

Mr. William Warden, Treasurer pro tem. submitted his report, which was accepted, and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

[This report has not come into the hands of the Stated Clerk.]

Rockingham Church.

Mizpah Ch. to be sold. On motion, the officers of the Church in Rockingham were authorized to consult with the parties interested in Mizpah Church, and, if they may be clear, to sell the Church building and appropriate the proceeds to building a house of worship in Rockingham.

$20. for H.G.H. & J.P.McP. Revs. H. G. Hills and J. P. McPherson were authorized to draw on the Treasurer, as Directors of Union Theological Seminary, Each $20.

The minutes of this day were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Thursday, July 10th 1873, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson. Stated Clerk.

Treasurer's Report.

Appendix.

A. Treasurer's Report.

Funds collected to April 5th, 1873.

Foreign Missions:

Antioch $6.72, Bluff 9.11, Carthage 7.00, China Grove 10,2[illegible] Cypress 6.00, Euphronia 7.00, Fayetteville 57.25, Laurel Hill 32.50, Long-Street 8.00, McPherson's 16.55, Miscellaneous 3.00, Rockingham 6.00, Sardis 25.65, St. Andrew's 4.00, Smyrna 6.00, St. Paul's 16.95, Total ..... $203.06.

Education:

Antioch $11.05, Bluff 46.35, Bethesda 2.60, Buffalo 27.85, Bethel 10.31, Ben-Salem 4.80, Carthage 8.00, China Grove 10.31, Cypress 6.00, Fayetteville 52.60, Laurel Hill 25.00, Lumberton 18.[illegible]

[illegible], Lumber-Bridge 10.00, Long-Street 5.00, Marks Creek 1.75, Mineral Spring 2.00, McPherson's 15.00, Macedonia 3.00, Mt. Pisgah 5.00, Philadelphus 8.00, Pee Dee 5.00, Rockingham 6.00, Salem 7.00, Sardis 15.05, St. Andrew's 10.00, Smyrna 6.00, Sandy Grove 4.60, Sharon 2.00, St. Paul's 16.95, Tirzah 7.00. Total $342.22.

Sustentation:

Antioch $4.57, Bluff 20.52, Buffalo 10.50, Bethesda 3.00, Bethel 6.12, Barbecue 3.00, China Grove 20.56, Euphronia 14.25, Fayetteville 55.97, Galatia 15.38, Harmony 2.80, Laurel Hill 31.75, Lumber-Bridge 9.45, Long-Street 8.00, Lebanon 6.00, Mt. Carmel 85 cts, Mineral Spring 2.00, McPherson's 8.00, Rockingham 6.00, Big-Rockfish 4.00, St. Andrew's 4.00, Smyrna 6.00, Sandy Grove 3.75, St. Paul's 14.64, Tirzah 8.00, Union 2.50. Total $299.61.

Publication:

Antioch $4.87, Bluff 13.95, Bethel 4.55, China Grove 10.28, Fayetteville 51.12, Galatia 5.50, Lumber-Bridge 8.65, Long-Street 2.14, Marks Creek 2.80, McPhersons 9.55, Mt. Pisgah 8.00, Mt. Tabor 2.50, Rockingham 6.00, Big-Rockfish 4.15, Salem 3.00, Tirzah 3.00. Total $110.66.

Disabled Ministers &c:

Antioch $5.45, Bluff 17.75, [illegible], Fayetteville 26.47, Laurel Hill 12.00, Lumberton 10.00, Long-Street 3.00, Mt. Pisgah 2.00, Rockingham 6.00, Sardis 13.35. Total ..... $116.02.

Evangelist:

Antioch $7.77, Bluff 12.68, China Grove 9.87, Galatia 4.50, Laurel Hill 10.00, Lumber-Bridge 10.56, McPhersons 4.03, Mt. Pisgah 2.00, Philadelphus 4.30, Sardis 17.04. Total $82.80.

Colportage:

Antioch $3.65, Bluff 12.68, Cypress 7.00, Euphronia 5.15, Laurel Hill 11.50, Lumberton 6.50, Long-Street 12.00, Mineral Spring 2.12,

Concluded. Philadelphus, 4,30. — Total — $63,31.

Presbyterial;

Antioch $. 12.00. Barbecue, 10.00. China Grove, 10.00. Cypress, 5.00. Fayetteville, 30.00, Galatia, 12.00. Lumber-Bridge, 8.00. Laurel 6.00. Mineral Spring — Total $. 111.00.

Total Collections — $1,364, 68.

Dr. To cash on hand as per last report — $833,72.

Collections received:

Foreign Missions —	$ 209, 06.	
Education — "	342, 22.	
Sustentation — "	299, 61.	
Publication — "	140, 66.	
Disabled Ministers "	116, 02.	
Evangelist — "	82, 80.	
Colportage — "	63, 31.	
Presbyterial — "	111, 00.	= $1364, 68.
		$2198, 40.

Credit.

Publication —	$ 130, 21.	Colportage —	$ 88, 22.
Education — "	95, 91.	Foreign Missions "	476, 19.
Sustentation "	416, 84.	Evangelist — "	76, 68.
Disabled Ministers "	181, 32.	Cash on hand.	593, 38.
Presbyterial — "	139, 65.		$2198, 40

Cash on hand — Foreign Missions $. 97,57, Disabled Ministers, 7,18. Sustentation, 36,78. Publication, 140,66. Education, 342,22, Colportage, 09. Evangelist, 6,12. Presbyterial (Ordination) 57, 24.

Duly approved by Committee.

B. Sustentation;

Sustentation. Report of Sustentation Committee to Presbytery for year ending April 1st 1873.

Your Committee would present the following report:

1st " As to Ministerial Support.

We have 16 ordained Ministers and one Licentiate, preaching the Gospel, 7 of these must live in part by secular pursuits or private means. We have 8 Pastorates that probably are unable to give their Ministers a salary of $800. As appears from the Columns appropriated in the last annual statistical report to "Pastors' salaries paid", 9 of our Ministers have their stipends irregularly and imperfectly paid. The present average of Ministers salaries in our Presbytery is about $642. To raise this average to the minimum of $800. — fixed by the Assembly — would require about $1825 more than is now raised. We are not aware that there has been any improvement in Ministerial support since last report.

2nd " As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

During the ecclesiastical year, prior Treasurer reports 22 Churches as contributing to Sustentation $. 367,78. This is a reported increase for this object upon the previous year of $. 20,67.

Appropriations asked for current year.

For Rev. James McQueen, Supplying Mt. Andrews and Mt. Pisgah Churches, one third of the time each —	$ 150.00.
Rev. R. T. Bowden, Harmony Church one Sabbath —	" 50.00.
For Evangelist —	" 100.00.
Whole amount asked and granted —	$ 300,00

The first installment was paid in March; the second is due, under certain conditions, in October next. $50. the first installment appropriated for the Evangelist, is in the hands of the Chairman, awaiting the action of Presbytery as to electing Evangelist for present year.

3rd " As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

Concluded. Our Treasurer reports, as contributed to this fund during the year by 17 Churches — — — — — — — — $162,56.

This is an increase in amount reported for this object upon previous year of — — — — $33.40.

Last October, your Committee asked from this fund the following appropriations

For Mrs James McNeill — — $50.00.
" Miss Susan Hogshead — " 50.00
" " Willie Ann Hogshead " 25.00
" " Mary R. McAlister " 25.00
Aggregate — — — $150.00.

These amounts for the year ending 1st Oct. next, have been fully paid.

11th As to supplies for vacant Churches.

Your Committee recommend the election of an Evangelist to supply these Churches, and to preach at promising missionary points within our bounds, at a salary of $600.

[Supplies to vacant Churches will be found in the body of the Minutes.]

Missions. C. Report on Foreign Missions.

Your Agent, in presenting his report, would remark, that the growing interest manifested in this cause, and the continual progress it is making, should be a cause of gratitude and encouragement to every friend of his race.

Long-standing barriers to the Gospel are giving way, and all the nations of the earth are throwing their doors open to its Ministers.

All branches of the Christian Church are beginning to feel more deeply the binding obligation of the Saviour's injunction, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every Creature"! And as so many ground divisions of our grand army, led on by its great Captain, the Head of the Church, they are preparing for a more extended and vigorous conflict with the powers of darkness.

Continued. In this onward movement, our division of the great army, though small, is not behind.

Few years ago, we had no missionary in the Foreign field — to day we have thirty-three engaged in the work, and others under Commission to go, and still others have proffered their services, and will go as soon as the means are provided for their support. Of the labourers already in the field, two are in South America, Eight in China, one in Italy, and fourteen among the different tribes of Indians.

While the liberality of our people has increased the their gifts are greater in their poverty, than they were in their wealth, still it fails to the demands, and hence those called of God are often delayed in entering upon their work, for want of means. This should be a powerful stimulant to our liberality. Our own Presbytery is increasing its contributions from year to year. In 1869, we reported $290.44. In 1872, we reported $480,41. and since last April, the Treasurer in Columbia has acknowledged the receipt of $664,50. and in addition to this sum $47,65. contributed to mission Schools. These sums together make an aggregate of $712,15. contributed to this work — the largest contribution made by our Presbytery since the close of the war, even before its division.

While this is an encouraging fact, and a cause of gratitude, still it is sad that 16 out of our 46 Churches reported to the last Assembly that they had done nothing for this cause. The blank lines in reports are not silent witnesses against the Church, but they proclaim to the world and to God, a dereliction of solemn duty on the part of Ministers and people, especially in 8 of those Churches which are regularly supplied with a preached Gospel. They proclaim their indifference to the salvation of the perishing heathen. If, as we all profess to believe, it is as much a Christian duty to worship God with the fruit of his hands, as the fruit of his lips, surely the offerings

Concluded. of these Churches do their people a great wrong when they deny them the privilege of worshipping God with their substance. Not only do they wrong their people, but they wrong themselves and they wrong their God.

We do hope that all who are stewards in God's house will make it a matter of conscience to give all their people an opportunity, and urge them to give something to aid in sending the glad tidings of salvation to the perishing heathen.

D. Education:

Education. The Committee on Education submit the following report:

There are at this time, eight candidates for the holy Ministry, under the care of Presbytery, namely: David S. McAlister & James Albert Smith in the Theological Seminary, Columbia, S.C. Kenneth McDonald, in Union Theological Seminary Prince Edward, Va: Dugald Monroe, a graduate of Davidson College, now engaged in teaching school; Angus McDonald, who has completed the Junior year at Davidson, is now teaching School. Edmond Marshall Munroe, in the Senior class at Davidson College, Daniel A. McRae, in the school of Rev. Malcom McNair, and Alexander M. McKinnon. Mr. McRae's studies have been more or less interrupted, for some years, by bad health.

Two of our Candidates are receiving aid from the Committee of Education at Richmond, namely Kenneth McDonald $200. and E. M. Munroe $175. These sums appropriated to these young brethren, have been received in part. We hope the whole amount will be promptly paid the Collegiate and Seminary year.

The deficiencies of our students' appropriations allowed them at Davidson College the last Collegiate, have been paid

Concluded. by the Committee at Richmond.

Two of our Candidates, viz: J. A. Smith and David S. McAlister, are generously provided for at the Seminary in Columbia, S.C.

Contributed for Education since the last meeting of Presbytery: $339.91. Of the 46 Churches in this Presbytery, 30 have contributed to this cause.

Publication. E. Publication.

It is also, the pleasure and the duty of your Agent, to report what has been done in our bounds during the past year, for the Cause of Publication. Twenty six of our Churches have contributed $253.70 to this object. We are still behind for the Endowment Fund $1900.— more, almost by one thousand dollars than any other Presbytery in our Church. Notwithstanding the importance of this branch of the Church's work, and the pressing necessity of the Committee at this time, in order to prosecute their business successfully, there are twenty of our Churches, (nearly one half,) that have done nothing. Experience and observation show that the purest minds need often to be "stirred up by way of remembrance". What seem to some the plainest and most easily remembered truths, are obscure and most easily forgotten by others. It is a conceded fact, that it is only by "line upon line and precept upon precept", that the best of human beings are kept in the path of duty.

Sabbath Schools. F. Sabbath-Schools.

The report on this subject is so incomplete, owing to the fact that the Churches generally failed to report to the Committee, that we only give the following totals: Teachers 33. Scholars 1530. attendance of teachers 25. increase of Scholars 13, number of Scholars added to the Church 28. Sabbath School Collections $31.75. Contributed for Missionary purposes $57.97.

G. Annual Report See table next page.

Centre Church,

Robeson County, N.C.
July 10th 1873,
met according to ad-
foreign.
following members were

erson, Archibald McQueen,
air, A. N. Ferguson & Jos. Evans.
Leo, M. McMillan; Ashpole,
John M. McKinnon, Fayette
McNeill, Maj. John McNeill;
Lumberton, John A. McAllister,

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Dr Venable of the Presbytery
Lacy of the Presbytery of
invited to sit as corresponding

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from the Presbytery of Flor.
Archibald Baker and
letter from Presbytery of
also were received, and after
Brethren were cordially
of Fayetteville, and

referred to the Committee on
Theology, Rev. William L. Lacy
Rev. T. D.
Dr Venable, on that of Church Government.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 16 Ministers, and has under its care 46 Churches, 4 Licentiates, and Candidates, viz:

MINISTERS, LICENTIATES, AND CANDIDATES.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	COMMUNICANTS. Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants	P. O. Infant	Children in Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes	FUNDS COLLECTED. Sustentation	Foreign Missions	Education	Publication	Disabled Ministers and widows and orphans of Ministers	Pastors' salaries actually paid	Congregational	Presbyterial	S. S. Collections	Miscellaneous	S. S. Papers	No. of Volumes in S. S. Library
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N.C.	Antioch, P.			134	12	48	$ 8 69	$ 6 72	$12 80	$ 4 87	$ 5 44	$120 00	$ 18 00	$12 00	$ 5 60	$11 97	8	100
		Philadelphus, P.	139		204	7	59	1 15	2 45	8 30	4 65	1 78	128 55	65 00	10 00	5 —	4 95	18	65
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	McPherson's, S. S.	5	1	59		30	8 00	29 25	33 42	9 55		300 00	39 67	8 00	5 —	4 08	16	100
		Galatia, S. S.	6		140	8	60	15 38	11 87	9 20	10 13		246 00	80 00	12 00		6 25		56
		Lumber Bridge, S. S.	1	2	58	7	20	9 45	8 35	18 35	8 65		237 75		8 00	12 25	13 —		37
Neill McKay, D. D. S. S.	Summerville,	Salem, S. S.	1	1	42						3 00		100 00		3 00				
		Tirza, S. S.	3		60	2	20	3 00	4 00	7 00	3 00				10 00			10	120
		Sandy Grove, S. S.	4	1	107	8	25	3 75	6 45	5 85					8 00				40
A. McMillan, S. S.	Rockingham	Mt. Carmel, S. S.			49														
		Mark's Creek, S. S.			39														
D. D. McBryde, P.	Little River Academy,	Bluff, P.	2		167	2	57	13 50	9 11	39 85	13 95	17 75	400 00			47 —	6 59	22	350
		Sardis, S. S.			40	2		20 10	18 65	55 68	39 85	5 00	202 50	212 50	10 00				300
M. McQueen, P.	Carthage,	Carthage, P.	7	2	120		70			6 00	6 00	5 00	400 00		12 00	20 —		20	120
		Union, P.	5	1	300	1	90	21 60	18 00	7 88	10 57	5 00		400 00	20 00				
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station,	St. Andrew's, S. S.	2	6	92	5	40	6 00	6 00	14 00	2 00		150 00	208 00	5 00				
		Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	3	1	43	3	30	8 10	5 00	5 00	8 00	2 00	100 00		6 00	2 —	2 —	14	30
		Barbecue, S. S.	6		84	4		3 00							10 00				
N. T. Bowden, S. S.	Bostick's Mills,	Harmony, S. S.			56														
Arch'd McQueen, P.	Shoe Heel,	Ashpole, P.	6	1	287	7		22 00	25 00	13 00	7 00			1370 00	25 00		131 —	12	
		Iona, S. S.	8	1	48		70	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		250 00		8 00			16	
John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	Laurinburgh, S. S.	3	2	47		20	8 65	2 25	2 25	2 25		525 00	659 00	8 00		40 —	18	
		Rockingham, S. S.	1		16		22	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	500 00	1325 00	3 00		15 —	24	
H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville,	Fayetteville, P.	8	4	178	4	153	55 97	64 20	52 60	51 12	46 47	1500 00	2705 24	30 00	71 —	85 11		200
David Fairley, P.	Manchester,	China Grove, P.	3		82	1	20	32 00	16 00	17 00	16 00		500 00		10 00	25 —	16 —	15	300
		Cypress, P.			72		20	6 16	6 00	6 00			200 00		5 00		7 —		55
		Long Street, S. S.	6		75	2	3	15 00	16 00	17 00	19 00	5 00	65 00		5 00				200
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		Big Rockfish, S. S.	17		115	3	1	40		4 75	4 00		140 00	140 00	10 00	13 60		16	150
		Mt. Tabor, S. S.	12		39	2	1	40					100 00	22 00	3 00				
K. M. McIntyre, P.	Troy,	Mineral Spring, P.	1	2	130		2	25 1 55	2 22	2 00	1 85		100 00					2	
		Sharon, S. S.	1	1	70		40	2 40		2 00	1 50	1 60	147 00		5 00				
		Pee Dee, S. S.	1		22		5	3 30	6 55	5 00	3 30	5 50	200 00		10 00				
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		Lumberton, V.	2	1	21		1	12	16 75	8 00		10 00	200 00	200 00	8 —		6 50		20
		Bethlehem, S. S.	1		12	1		3 00	8 25		6 00				3 —				
		Lebanon, V.			22		1												
		Ben Salem, V.			26														
		Mizpeh, V.			14														
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Licensures, 3; Ordinations, none; Installations, none; Pastoral Relations dissolved, none; Churches organized, none; Churches dissolved, none; Churches received from other denominations, none; Churches dismissed to other denominations, none; Ministers received from other denominations, none; Ministers dismissed to other denominations, none; The Rev. ..... been removed by death since the last report.

Big Rockfish Church, April 12, 1873.

By order of the Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

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Adjourned Meeting.

Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C.
July 10th 1873.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The roll was called, and the following members were found to be present:

Ministers - H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, Archibald McLean, J. H. Cobb, H. G. Hill, M. McNair, A. N. Ferguson & Jos. Evans.

Ruling Elders - Antioch, Col. Alex. McMillan; Ashpole, Nathaniel McNair; Centre, John M. McKinnon; Fayetteville, Col. Wm. M. L. McKay; Laurel Hill, Maj. John McNeill; Laurinburgh, John McIntyre; Lumberton, John A. McAllister, and Smyrna, Col. A. J. McLean.

Revs. Archibald Baker & T. L. DeVeaux of the Presbytery of Florida, and Rev. William S. Lacy of the Presbytery of Abingdon, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Brethren received.

Regular letters of dismission from the Presbytery of Florida to this Presbytery for Revs Archibald Baker and T. L. DeVeaux; and a similar letter from Presbytery of Abingdon for Rev. William S. Lacy were read, and, after the usual examination, these brethren were cordially received as members of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, and their names were enrolled.

Whereupon, Rev. Archibald Baker was placed on the Committee on Theology, Rev. William S. Lacy on that of Church History, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, on that of Church Government.

Candidate received.

Rev. Joseph Evans introduced to Presbytery Mr. Frank P. Harrell, a member of Mt. Tabor Church, as a candidate for the holy Ministry.

Frank P. Harrell.

He was examined on his experimental acquaintance with Religion and his motives in seeking the ministry, which being sustained, he was taken under the care of Presbytery as a candidate for the holy Ministry.

Whereupon, on motion, Mr. Harrell was refferred to over Presbyterical Committee on Education.

Wm. L. McKay dismissed.

Mr. Wilson James McKay, a licentiate of this Presbytery, was, at his own request, regularly dismissed to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Harmony, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Rev. M. McNair and Mr. John A. McAlister were temporarily added to Committee on Languages.

Big-Rockfish Church and Swamp Station obtained permission to employ Rev. Joseph Evans to preach in the forenoon of every third Sabbath at each place, on a salary at Big-Rockfish of $300, & at the Swamp Station $266, per annum.

Laurel Hill Church obtained permission to employ Rev. A. N. Ferguson one half his time on a salary of $400.

A similar permission was granted to Buffalo Church to employ Rev. William S. Lacy three fourths of his time on a salary of $750. Permission was also granted to Bro. Lacy to supply Euphronia Church, until next Presbytery, one fourth of his time on a salary of $250, per annum.

Presbytery then took recess until 2 o'clock P.M.

After recess Presbytery met. The Committee on Languages, reported, that they had examined Dugald Munroe, David S. McAlister and Daniel A. McRae, on the Latin & Greek languages, and Mr. McAlister on Hebrew, and recommended that these examinations be sustained, which was adopted.

Mr. McAlister was directed to place his Latin Exegesis & Critical Exercise in the hands of the Committee on Languages.

Call.

A call from Centre Church for the pastoral services of Rev. Archibald Baker for the whole of his time, on a salary of $800, per annum, in quarterly payments, was read, and being found in order, was placed in his hands. Bro. Baker having signified his acceptance of this call, Presbytery made the following arrangements for his installation, next Saturday, 12th instant, viz:

Call

accepted

Rev. A. B. Centre.

Committee.

Rev. H. McLean to preside, propose the Constitutional questions & charge the pastor; Rev. M. McNair preach the sermon, and Rev. A. N. Ferguson charge the people.

Arts & Sciences.

The Committee on the Arts and Sciences reported, they had examined Dugald Munroe, David S. McAlister and Daniel A. McRae on these branches of study, and recommended that these examinations be sustained, which was adopted.

McAlister examined.

Presbytery then proceeded to examine Mr. McAlister on Theology, Natural and Revealed, Church History, the Sacraments & Church Government, all of which were sustained as satisfactory parts of trial for Licensure.

Report of Evangelist.

Mr. L. W. Currie, our former Evangelist and Colporteur, presented his report, which was accepted and adopted:

I have preached at Bethlehem Church 10 Sabbaths, at Bro. Sulivan

Report of Evangelist.

11, at Lebanon 11, at Mizpeh 2, at Sandy Grove 1, at Big-Rockfish 5, and Swamp Station 7.

Money received from these Churches; Bro. Salem, $31.50. Bethlehem $24. Lebanon $40.15. Big-Rockfish $38.20 $133.85.

Received from Evangelist Fund ——— " 76.68.

Realized from Colportage ——— " 60.00

Whole amount received from all sources ——— $1,270.53.

Report on Colportage.

I have sold 800 Volumes amounting to — $300.00.

Given away to the destitute ——— 40.00

Granted by Committee of Publication. ——— 30.00.

I have sold 60 Copies of Bibles and Testaments, purchased with funds furnished by Church in Fayetteville.

Respectfully submitted Laughlin W. Currie, Acting Evangelist & Colporteur.

Salary.

The matter of Bro. Currie's Salary was referred to a special Committee, consisting of Revs. Joseph Evans and A. N. Ferguson and Maj. John McNeill, who were directed to report to-morrow morning.

Orders of day.

It was made the first order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o'clock A.M. to hear the Lecture of Mr. McAlister and the second order to hear his sermon.

Mr. Nathaniel McNair obtained leave of absence after this evening.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at 7 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Centre Church, July 11th 1873.

Presbytery met according to adjournment & was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Hist. of Centre Church returned.

On motion, the Historical Sketch of Centre Church, which he read in Presbytery at Big-Rockfish Church last Spring, was returned to Colds at his request, for such emendation or correction

as he may deem necessary.

On motion, a special Committee was appointed to re-arrange the Examining Committees of Presbytery, consisting of Revs. W. L. Hille and J. P. McPherson, and Col. W. McL. McKay, and that said Committee report at our fall sessions.

L. W. Currie.

Licentiate, L. W. Currie was permitted, at his own request, to labour without our bounds.

The special Committee, appointed yesterday to make such arrangements as may be necessary to pay a balance still due to our former Evangelist, Licentiate L. W. Currie, submitted their report, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee appointed to devise means for meeting the deficiency in the salary of our Evangelist, L. W. Currie — for the year April 1872 to April 1873, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. That the Presbytery instruct the Chairman of the Sustentation Committee to pay to Mr. Currie the money on hand, ($50.) also, when received, the instalment due in October next ($50.) as remuneration in part for the services of the Evangelist for the first four months of the present year.

2nd. That in addition to what they have already done, the following assessment be made on Churches served by Evangelist, viz: Bro. Salem $35.00 Bethlehem $30.00. Lebanon, $25.00. Total $130.00.

And that the supplies granted to these Churches employ their most earnest efforts to secure, that said Churches at once, raise these assessments.

3rd. That to meet the remaining deficiency $100, that all the Churches of the Presbytery, except those assessed above, take up a collection for this object at their earliest convenience.

4th. That said collection and assessment, when taken up, be forwarded, as soon as practicable, to the Treasurer of the Presbytery,

before the next regular meeting of the Presbytery, at the latest.

5th. That said funds be subject to the order of Evangelist.

That the Presbytery clerk inform Rev. D.D. McBryde of its action in the matter, and he see that it be carried out when fulfilling appointment at Bethlehem.

Also, that Bro. Baker preach at Lebanon some Sabbath before the next meeting of Presbytery, and employ due means to enforce the above action of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted.

Joseph Evans, Chairman.

D.S.McA. Lecture. Presbytery took up the first order of the day, when Mr. David S. McAlister read a lecture on the passage previously assigned him, which was sustained.

Sermon. The second order was taken up, when Mr. McAlister preached a sermon on the text previously assigned him, which was also sustained.

Exegesis & Critical Sense. The Committee on Education reported, that they had examined the Latin Exegesis and Critical exercise of Mr. McAlister, and recommended that they be approved, which was adopted.

On motion, all these parts of trial, as a whole, were sustained as satisfactory.

Licensed. Presbytery then proceeded to license him, the said David S. McAlister in due form, to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry, and the Stated Clerk placed a copy of his license in his hands.

Order to Treasurer. The Stated Clerk was directed to give an order on the Treasurer of Presbytery, Mr. C. A. McMillan, to Rev. T. L. Kennedy, Editor N.C. Presbyterian, to pay for 500. copies of the Minutes of our Sessions at Bethesda Church Sept 1872,

and also at Big Rockfish Church, in April 1873.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the thanks of this Presbytery are due & are hereby tendered to the members of Centre Church for the kind hospitality extended by them to this body; and that the Pastor-Elect of the Church be directed to read this vote of thanks from the pulpit.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Laurinburgh, Richmond County, N.C. Thursday before the second Sabbath in October 1873, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Closed with prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson

Stated Clerk.

Examined and approved.
Wilmington N.C. Nov. 1. 1873.

Jas. H. Sprunt

Moderator.

* Revs. 764. 772 – 774, 776
* Little matter – 769

MINUTES FOR FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY FOR

1873 to 1883

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One Hundred and Twenty-first Sessions.

Laurinburgh, Richmond County, N.C.

October 9th 1873.

Opening Sermon.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened, by request, with a sermon by Rev. Joseph Evans, from Philippians IV: 4. "Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say rejoice".

The Moderator, Rev. J. H. Coble, took the chair, and opened the sessions with prayer.

Ministers present.

Ministers present:

Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. Archibald Baker, D.D. McBryde, N. T. Bowden, Archibald McLean, John H. Coble, David Fairley, Malcom McNair, A. N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre, Joseph Evans and William S. Lacey.

Churches represented.

Churches represented:

Ashpole, Nathan T. Alford; Bethesda, Malcom McNeill; Bin-Salem, Kenneth Mathison; Bluff, Walter J. Smith; Big-Rockfish, Laughlin McDonald; Centre, Archibald A. McLean; Galatia, John D. McNeill; Iona, Dr. T. D. McPhail; Laurel Hill, D. C. Stewart; Laurinburgh, Angus Blue; Lebanon, A. D. Wilkinson; London-Bridge, Archibald R. McDonald; McPherson's D. C. Currie; Morley's Creek, Daniel Currie; Macedonia, Simon Holland; Mineral Spring, M. G. McKenzie; Mt. Carmel, J. M. N. Clark; Philadelphus, Archibald McMillan; Rockingham, William T. Brogden; Smyrna, Peter McRae; St. Paul's, John Caldwell; St. Andrew's D. C. Shaw and Ruling Elder John B. Black.

Ministers absent.

Ministers absent:

A. McMillan, Martin McQueen, James McQueen, H. G. Hill and T. L. DeVaux.

Churches not represented.

Churches not represented:

Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Buffalo, China Grove & Cypress, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Long Street, Lumberton, Mizpah, Montpelier, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon and Tirza.

Moderator & Clerks.

Moderator and Clerks:

Rev. Joseph Evans was chosen Moderator, and Rev. N. T. Bowden and Walter J. Smith temporary Clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess for 45 minutes.

Com. on Religious Ex.

After recess Presbytery met. The Moderator announced the Committee on Religious Exercises, viz: Rev. J. H. Cobb, Angus Blue and Archibald McMillan.

Hours of business.

Resolved, That the hours of business be fixed from 9½ to 11. in the morning, and from 1. P.M. to the evening.

Rev. J. McQ. excused.

Rev. James McQueen, by letter, assigned satisfactory reasons for absence from our present sessions.

J. A. Rose dismissed.

Mr John McAden Rose, at his own request, was dismissed to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Hanover, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him the usual testimonials.

Report in part.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part, which was accepted.

Reading of Min. omitted.

On motion, Presbytery dispensed with the reading of the Minutes of our last meeting.

Rev. N. T. B. excused.

Rev. N. T. Bowden rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our last sessions.

Rev. W. S. L. & Euphronia:

A written request from the session of Euphronia Church for the services of Rev. William S. Lacy, one fourth of his time on a salary of $250. per annum, was read and granted.

Order of the day:

Place & time of next meeting was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning, and reports from Church Sessions on the State of Religion the second order.

Education:

Education.

The Committee on Education presented their report, which was accepted, and on a motion to adopt, said report was discussed, and then laid on the table for the present, to enable the Committee to fill a blank.

Ch. near Col. A's.

The Committee to organize a Church near Col. Alderman's, made a verbal report and were continued.

Hist. Sketches not ready.

Historical sketches of Centre, Bethel, Buffalo & Barbacue were called for; but the respective writers were not ready to report.

Adjourned.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Laurinburgh, N. C. October 10th 1878.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

Min. Approv.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Members excused.

Rev. A. McMillan appeared in Presbytery, and rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from last meeting, and tardiness at the present.

Malcom N. Campbell, Ruling Elder of Long Street Church, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Place & time of next meeting.

The first order of the day, viz: the place & time of next meeting, was taken up, when Ashpole Church, Robeson County, N. C. was chosen as the place, and the time, Thursday

before the second Sabbath in April 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Com. on Narrative. The Moderator announced, as the Committee on the Narrative to Synod, Rev. Messrs A. McLean & D. D. McBryde, & A. A. McLean.

Free Conversation. Presbytery then took up the second order of the day, when verbal reports from the Churches were made.

H. G. Hill & T. L. DeW. Pending these exercises Rev. Messrs H. G. Hill and T. L. DeWeese appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for 45 minutes.

P. McRae. After recess Presbytery met. Philip McRae, Ruling Elder of Bethel Church, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, after which the unfinished business, Free Conversation, was resumed & finished.

Report of Treas. Report of Treasurer:

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, was read & approved and ordered to be printed in the appendix. (Ap. A.)

Education:

Report adopted. The report of the Committee on Education was again read, and then adopted and ordered to be printed in the appendix. (See Appendix B.)

Rev. E. H. Reist. Rev. E. H. Reist, of the Presbytery of Harmony, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Dr. J. W. McKay. Dr. J. W. McKay, Ruling Elder of Salem Church, appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Alex. McKinnon dropped. The name of Alexander M. McKinnon was stricken from the roll of Candidates for the Ministry, on account of ill health, without prejudice and by his consent.

Commissioner Rev. Neill McKay D.D. our clerical Commissioner to

to G. Ass. the last General Assembly, reported that he attended the sessions of that body; and also, that Gen. A. D. McLean was present.

Order on the Treas. — Gen. A. D. McL. $50. Dr. McKay $5. On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to give to Gen. A. D. McLean, one of our Commissioners to the General Assembly, an order on the Treasurer for $50, the same being supplementary to the amount previously paid; and also an order on the Treasurer to Rev. Neill McKay D.D. for $5. which amount he advanced for the Presbytery while at the Assembly to meet the assessment placed on us by that body.

Com. Min. Gen. Ass. Rev. Messrs N. McKay D.D. and David Fairley, and A. D. Wilkinson were appointed a Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly.

Paper referred. A paper in reference to the operations of certain Committees was read, and after discussion was laid on the table for the present, and afterwards was taken up and referred to the following Committee, to report thereon to-morrow, viz: Rev. Messrs N. McKay, D.D. D. D. McBryde and Archibald Baker.

J. A. McA. Mr. John A. McAlister, Ruling Elder of Lumberton Church, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

New Church organized:

Flat Branch organized. The committee appointed to organize a Church at Flat Branch, in Harnett County, would report, That they performed that duty. They organized a Church called "Flat Branch" by receiving 23 members to be dismissed as follows, 10 from Barbecue, 8 from China Grove and 5 from Lizza Church.

They also ordained and installed as Elders, Daniel Morrison and Allen Shaw; as Deacons, Angus Shaw and John M. Morrison. Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hill Chairman.

Allen Shaw assessed $3.

This report was adopted, and Allen Shaw, Ruling Elder of the above Church, being present, was enrolled, and the Church was assessed three dollars on the Presbyterial fund.

Installation Rev. A. Baker Centre Church.

Installation:

The Committee appointed to install Rev. Archibald Baker Pastor of Centre Church, reported that they performed that duty on the 12th day of July 1873.

Re-arrangement of Committees.

The Committee appointed to re-arrange the Committees of examination, reported, which was adopted.

8 Examining Committees.

The Committee appointed to re-arrange the Presbyterial Examining Committees would report, as follows:

They recommend that Eight examining Committees be constituted by placing on them the following brethren:

On Primary English - Joseph Evans & James McQueen.
Natural Science - Archd. McQueen, A. McMillan & A. F. Ferguson.
Moral Science - McKay and McIntyre.
Greek & Latin - A. McQueen, Borden and Lacy.
Hebrew - Baker, McNair and McBryde.
Theology - Coble and McLean.
Ecclesiastical History - DeVraux and Hill.
Church Government and Sacraments, McPherson & Fairley.

Respectfully submitted.
H. G. Hill Chairman.

L. W. Currie:

L. W. Currie dismissed.

Mr. Laughlin W. Currie, a licentiate, was dismissed, at his own request, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery, and the Stated Clerk was directed to furnish him with the usual

testimonials.

Treas. pro tem.

Walter J. Smith was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part, which was accepted.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at half past 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Laurinburgh, N. C. October 11th 1873.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence:

Leave of absence.

The following Committee on leave of absence was appointed - Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, H. G. Hill and A. McQueen.

Caledonia Church.

The officers of the M. E. Church at Caledonia tendered to Presbytery the use of their Church on the Sabbath. This courtesy was duly acknowledged, and the matter referred to the Committee on Religious Exercises.

Reconsidered:

Change of time.

The time appointed to hold our Spring Sessions was, on motion, reconsidered, and Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M. was fixed as the time.

Statistical Report.

Statistical Report to Synod:

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was read and approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 19 Ministers, and have under their care no Licentiates, 17 Churches and 7 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 12th day of April 1873, they licensed Mr. James Albert Smith to preach the Gospel as a probationer

for the holy Ministry; that on the 10th day of July 1873, they received Rev. Archibald Baker by letter from the Presbytery of Florida, that on the same day they received Rev. T. L. De Venux by letter from the same Presbytery, that on the same day they received Rev. William S. Lacy by letter from the Presbytery of Abingdon; that on the 11th day of July 1873, they licensed Mr. David S. McAlister as a probationer to preach the Gospel; that on the 12th day of July 1873, they installed Rev. Archibald Baker pastor of Centre Church; that on the 9th day of October 1873, they dismissed Mr. John McAdin Rose, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Hanover; that on the 10th day of October 1873, they received under their care the recently organized Church of Flat Branch, and on the same day they dismissed Mr. Laughlin W. Currie, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery, and that the next meeting of our Presbytery will be held at Ashpole Church, Robeson County, N. C. on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April, 1874, at 11 o'clock A. M. Respectfully submitted.

Report.

Oct. 11th 1873. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Report on Systematic Benevolence:

Systematic Benevolence.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina on Systematic Benevolence, that from September 1st 1872 to April 15th 1873 16 Churches contributed to Foreign Missions $226. 01.

" 30 " " " Education . . . 339. 91.

Continued. 16. Churches contributed to Publication — — $. 140. 66.

26. " " " Sustentation — — " 284. 97.

9. " " " Disabled Ministers &c - " 116. 02.

10. " " " Evangelist Fund — " 82. 80.

10. " " " Colporteys — — " 63. 31.

Total during that period — — — $. 1253. 68

From April 15th 1873. to October 1st 1873.

30. Churches contributed to Foreign Missions — $. 375. 67.

12. " " " Education — " 98. 18.

18. " " " Sustentation — " 178. 53.

20. " " " Publication — — " 177. 43.

19. " " " Disabled Ministers &c. " 148. 14.

5. " " " General Evangelist Fund. 23. 23.

6. " " " Special to same Fund " 53. 63.

Total during that period — $ 1054. 81.

Total for the whole year $ 2307. 49.

Respectfully submitted

October 11th 1873. J. P. McPherson Chairman.

Report on Min. of G. Assembly.

Minutes of General Assembly:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly report: That they find nothing in said Minutes demanding the especial attention of Presbytery, except the action of the Assembly in reference to the different schemes of Christian benevolence, which is brought to the notice of Presbytery by the reports of the Presbyterial Committees, and answer to overture No 11. page 312, respecting the dismission of Church Members, both Communicating and non-Communicating, which injunction Presbytery enforces on Church Sessions under its care.

Respectfully submitted. Neill McLaughlin Chairman.

Paper deserted. The special Committee, to whom was referred the paper presented yesterday in reference to the Presbyterial Committees of Education and Sustentation, submitted their report, which was accepted and laid on the table to be taken up at the spring meeting of Presbytery.

Sustentation:

Sustentation. Rev. H. G. Hecks, Chairman of the Committee on Sustentation, presented his report, which was accepted, and after some discussion, Presbytery took a recess until 1. o'clock P. M. after hearing the report of the Committee on religious exercises.

After recess Presbytery met.

Supplies. Supplies to vacant Churches reported, when it appeared that these appointments had been generally filled, and also that the injunction of last Presbytery in regard to Publication had been generally complied with.

Sustentation. The report of the Sustentation Committee was resumed. The report was ordered to be printed in the appendix (See App. C.) and the resolutions were adopted seriatim—

Resolutions adopted. 1st. Resolved, That all our churches, which have not contributed to meet our debt to our former Evangelist, L. W. Currie, be instructed to forward their collections to our Treasurer as soon as possible.

2nd — Resolved, That our Churches be directed hereafter to take up separate Collections for the Assembly's Sustentation and Evangelistic work, and that an account be kept for each of these funds by our Treasurer.

3rd — Resolved, That the Presbytery recommend to the Churches under its care, the taking up of Collections for Church objects every Sabbath that they have worship.

Concluded. 4th — Resolved, That the Presbytery recommend to the private Christians and pious households within their bounds, the dedication of at least one tenth of their annual incomes to God's service, in helping the poor, supporting the Gospel at home, and spreading it throughout the world.

Publication.

Publication. The report of the Agent of Publication, Rev. D. Fairley, was accepted and ordered to be printed in the appendix (See Appendix D.) and the resolution adopted:

Resolved, That we direct all our Ministers and Sessions to take up a special collection for this cause, on the 1st Sabbath in December next, or as near thereto as practicable, and that the necessities of the Committee, & the importance of the cause be fully set before our people.

Narrative:

Narrative. The report of the Committee on the Narrative was adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

The Committee on the Narrative made respectfully report, That general peace, harmony and some degree of prosperity prevail throughout our Churches. Their reports indicate a gradual growth in spiritual life, zeal and interest, and in several instances, marked outpourings of the Holy Spirit, in revivals of Religion, have been enjoyed, and additions to the membership made ranging one to one hundred and seven.

Upon the subject of Sabbath Schools, and the catechetical instruction of the young and rising generation, a new interest seems to be awakened, and decided progress has been made in most of the Churches, both in numbers, and in efficiency of management.

Narrative Concluded.

The Christian duty of worshipping God with our substance as well as with our lips, is fast developing itself in systematic giving, and with increased liberality, to most of the objects of Christian benevolence.

And while our Churches are far from having attained to their full measure of duty, either in material or spiritual life and prosperity – and there is much to mourn over as short-comings and unfaithfulness, on the part of ministers, Sessions and Churches – still there is much in our condition at present, to encourage, to stimulate, and to comfort the hearts of God's people, and to cause them to go forward in the more faithful discharge of all our Christian duties.

Respectfully submitted.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Congregation of Laurinburgh and the Community, for their generous hospitality to the members of Presbytery, during our present sessions; and that their Stated Supply, Rev. J. H. Cobb, communicate this action to the people.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence:

The Committee reported, that they had granted leave of absence to John A. McAlister after 10. o'clock, Rev. Messrs N. T. Bowden and Neill McKay D.D. after 4. P.M. Rev. H. McLean, Rev. M. McNair, Dr. McPhail, Dr. McKay, Allen Shaw, D. C. Shaw, Rev. K. M. McIntyre, J. B. Black, J. D. McNeill, Spencer Hallam and Philip McRae, which was approved.

Mizpah.

Rev. J. H. Cobb reported, that in the matter of Mizpah Church building, nothing could be done.

Visiting

On motion, it was made the duty of Committees to visit

Committees.

groups of Churches to report at the Spring meeting of Presbytery.

Day of prayer.

It was recommended to all our Ministers and Churches to observe the day of prayer appointed by the General Assembly.

Trustee D.C.

Rev. D. D. McBryde was re-elected a Trustee of Davidson College for 4 years.

Treas. pro tem.

The Treasurer pro tem reported, and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Evangelist's Salary.

Several Churches reported, that they had taken up Special Collections for the Evangelist's salary.

D. College.

Davidson College:

The Stated Clerk read the report of the Trustees of Davidson College, which was ordered to placed on file.

Min. to be pub.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 300 Copies of our present Minutes.

The minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in the City of Wilmington, N. C. during the sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson. Stated Clerk.

Appendix A. Treasurer's Report.

Foreign Missions.

Foreign Missions.

Ashpole, $25.00. Bethel, 3.55. Bluff, 21.13. Big Rockfish 17.00. Buffalo, 42.55. Carthage 10.00. Centre 40.75. China Grove, 5.95. Euphronia, 10.25. Fayetteville, 26.00. Galatia, 10.90. Iona, 1.00. Laurel Hill, 25.80. Laurinburgh, 10.50. Lumberton, 5.00. Lumber Bridge, 7.60. Macedonia, 3.50. Montpelier, 2.00. Mineral Spring, 4.54. McPherson's, 21.00. Mt. Tabor, 4.00. Pee Dee, 7.30. Philadelphus 8.45. St. Andrews 2.00. Sharon, 3.20. Salem, 10.00. Smyrna, 9.70.

Laurinburgh.

St. Paul's 20.00. Tirza 5.00. Union 12.00. Total — $375.67.

Education. Education:

Ashpole, $12.00. Carthage, 8.00. Centre, 11.10. China Grove, 5.95. Fayetteville, 27.04. Iona, 1.00. Laurinburgh, 9.17. Montpelier, 2.00. St. Andrew's 2.35. Sharon, 2.40. Sardis, 8.07. Smyrna 9.10. Total $168.18.

Sustentation. Sustentation:

Ashpole $22.00. Bethesda 2.80. Cypress, 6.14. Carthage 10.00. Centre 31.50. China Grove 11.90. Fayetteville, 28.86. Harmony, 3.35. Iona 1.00 Long-Street, 4.00. Laurinburgh, 11.50. Lumberton, 5.00. Montpelier, 1.00 Pee Dee, 3.30. Philadelphus, 1.15. St. Andrew's 4.00. Sardis 19.03. Union, 12.00. Total ——— $178.53.

Publication. Publication:

Ashpole $7.00. Bethlehem, 6.00. Bethesda, 2.85. Carthage 10.00. Centre, 13.75. China Grove, 5.95. Fayetteville, 25.22. Iona, 1.00. Long-Street, 4.00. Laurel Hill, 37.50. Laurinburgh, 5.56. Lumberton, 2.50, Montpelier, 1.00. Philadelphus, - 65 cts. Pee Dee, 3.30. Sharon 1.50. Sardis, 12.75. Smyrna, 7.50. St. Paul's, 10.10. Union 18.90. Total $177.43.

Disabled Min. Disabled Ministers &c.

Bethel, 4.05. Big-Rockfish, 10.00. Buffalo. 11.70. Carthage, 10.00. Fayetteville, 23.84. Galatia, 6.55. Iona, 1.00. Laurel Hill, 15.00. Laurinburgh, 7.05. Macedonia, 1.50. Mc Phersons, 4.25. Pee Dee, 5.00. Philadelphus, 4.00. Sandy Grove, 1.85. Sharon, 1.60. Smyrna, 7.00. St. Paul's 13.00. Tirza 5.00. Union 15.25. Total $148.14.

Presbyterial. Presbyterial:

Ashpole, 25.00. Bethel, 10.00. Bethlehem, 3.00. Barbacue, 10.00. Bluff, 14.00. Big-Rockfish, 10.00. Buffalo, 25.00. Carthage 12.00. Centre, 20.00. Euphronia, 10.00. Fayetteville, 30.00 Harmony 5.00. Long-Street, 8.00. Laurel Hill, 15.00. Laurinburgh, 8.00 Lumberton, 8.00. Macedonia, 6.00 Montpelier 5.00.

Mt. Pisgah 6.00. Mt. Tabor, 3.00. Pee Dee, 10.00. Philadelphus, 10.00. Rockingham, 3.00. St. Andrew's 6.00. Salem, 3.00. Sardis, 10.00. Smyrna, 12.00. St. Paul's 15.00. Tirza 6.00. Union 20.00. Total — $331.00.

Evangelistic. Evangelistic work — General:

Buffalo, 12.10. Galatia, 5.05. Philadelphus, 50 cts. Sandy Grove, 3.58. Tirza 2.00. Total — — $23.23.

Special Collection for same.

Buffalo, 23.28. Galatia, 4.75. Laurel Hill, 9.45. Lumber Bridge, 7.80. Mc Phersons 4.80. Smyrna, 3.55. Total — $53.63.

Total Collections —— $1385.81.

Cash on hand —.

Foreign Missions ——	$473.24.	
Education ————	"	98.18.
Publication ———	"	15.50.
Sustentation ——	"	2 15.31.
Disabled Ministers &c.	"	155.32.
Colportage ——	"	" " 09.
Evangelist-Regular Collections		29.35.
Do. for L. M. Currie —		53.63.
Presbyterial Fund on hand,		82.18.

Cash balance, October 1st 1873.

Dr. Cash on hand April 6th 1873,	$593.38.	Cr. By Presbyterial —	$355.94.
Sundries ———	1385.81.	Foreign Missions "	342.22.
	1979.19.	Publication — "	302.59.
Cash on hand Oct. 1st 1873	978.44.	Balance on hand Oct. 1st 1873.	978.44.

C. A. Mc Millan Treasurer.

Examined and approved by Auditing Committee.

Appendix B.

Education

~~Sustentation.~~

The Committee on Education respectfully submit to Presbytery, the following report:

Since the license to preach the Gospel of Christ as probationers for the holy Ministry of Messrs James A. Smith and David S. McAlester, who are still prosecuting their studies in the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S.C. you have now eight Candidates under your care, viz: Kenneth and Angus McDonald Dugald Monroe & W. M. McGilvary, who are now pursuing their studies in Union Theological Seminary, Va. David A. McRae has recently entered the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S.C. E. Marshall Monroe is teaching school, Frank P. Hamill is at Davidson College, and A. M. McKinnon is, at present, engaged as a clerk in a store.

Appropriations have been granted by the Committee at Richmond, Va. to two of our Candidates at Union Theological Seminary, & to one at Davidson College.

Your Committee have recently asked for an appropriation for one of our students who is now in the Theological Seminary at Columbia, S.C, which, if granted, will make the appropriations $775. for the present Theological & Collegiate year.

This amount is absolutely necessary to aid our dependent young men in sustaining themselves this year in the prosecution of their studies.

The appeal, therefore, comes loudly & urgently to the Constituted authorities of this Presbytery and

their respective charges to endeavour to raise, not only this sum, but even more than this, that we may aid others. If each of our 4.395 Communicants would contribute about 17½ cents, or if each of our 46 Churches would give about $.17.30. the amount to sustain our own Candidates would be secured, and there would be a small balance left.

But surely many of our large Churches, and many of our Communicants, whom God has blessed with means, will consider it a privilege to do more than this for a cause so identified with the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom here, and whose necessities now are so urgent.

The Presbyterial statistics from April 1872 to April 1873, show that $.494.59. were contributed by 35 churches, while 11 of our Churches report no contributions for this important object.

Concluded. From your Treasurer's report we learn that $98.18. have been contributed since your last meeting.

Hector McLean Chairman.

Appendix C.

Sustentation.

Sustentation:

Your Sustentation Committee would report for the 6 months ending October 1st 1873, as follows:

1st As to Contributions and appropriations for Sustentation.

For the period indicated your Treasurer reports 18 churches as contributing to sustentation $178.53. Compared with the corresponding 5 months in 1872, this shows an increase of 5 contributing churches and of $.97.42.

The appropriations asked for the current year.

These are the same as stated in last report.

For Rev. James McQueen supplying St. Andrews and Mt. Pisgah one third of the time each —— $.150.00.

Sustentation. For Rev. N. T. Bowden supplying Harmony church one Sabbath for month $50.00.
For L. W. Currie as Evangelist ——— " 100.00
Whole amount ——— $. 300.00.

The first installment of their appropriations was paid Bros. McLean and Bowden in March last. The second will be due in October, when they have informed your chairman of this Committee respecting their compliance with the Assembly's rules.

The first installment asked for Evangelist has been paid by order of Presbytery to our Licentiate L. W. Currie. The second has not yet been received.

3rd. As to our indebtedness to L. W. Currie, our Evangelist for the year ending April 1st 1873.

At a meeting of Presbytery in July last, it appears, that after paying him the appropriation of $100, asked for the Evangelist from the Assembly's Committee, the Presbytery would owe Bro. Currie a balance of $230.00. To meet this deficiency in salary, Ben-Salem Church was assessed $75; Lebanon Church $25; Bethlehem Church $30. other Churches were directed to contribute by full Presbytery $100. Making ——— $ 230.00.

Bro. Currie informs me that Ben-Salem Church has paid him since last Presbytery $23. Your Treasurer reports 7 other Churches as having contributed to this deficiency $63.63. Making $86.63. Balance uncollected for Bro. Currie October 1st 1873. $143.37.

3rd. As to contributions and appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund for 6 months, ending October 1st 1873 by 19 Churches

Sustentation— $128.14. Compared with the corresponding period of 5 months last year, this shows an increase of 11 contributing churches of $108.22.

Appropriations asked for ensuing year from October 1st 1873.

For Mrs John M. Sharrod $50. Miss Susan Hoagshead $25. Whole amount asked for but not yet granted $75.

4th. As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Your Committee recommend the following supplies by ordained Ministers till Spring meeting of Presbytery:

Bethlehem— Joseph Evans one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Ben-Salem— Martin McLean one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Mizpeh— A. McMillan one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Tirza— Neill McKay, at discretion.
Lebanon— Archibald Baker, at discretion.
Bethesda— M. McNair.
Concluded. Lumberton— Fairley, McLean, Ferguson, Baker & Hills one Sabbath, & Archibald McLean one Sabbath and Sacrament.

Appendix D.

Report of Treasurer pro tem.

Foreign Missions— Sharon $3.25. Sardis $28.73. Total — $. 31.98.
Sustentation— Euphronia $5.15. Mt. Carmel $1.00 Total — " 6.15.
Education Fee Dec $5. Laurel Hill $20. Smyrna $10. Mt. Carmel 1. Total 36.00.
Disabled Ministers— Mt. Tabor $3. Bluff $5.82. Sharon $2. Sardis $12.46 " 23.28.
Evangelist— Swamp $25. St. Pauls 10. Mt. Tabor 2.
Sharon 1.75. Macedonia 1. Dec 2.80. Lumber-Bridge 4.
Sardis 28.71. Laurel Hill 21.55. Smyrna 5.15. Ben-Salem 23.25.
Euphronia 9.20. ——— Total — $134.11.
Presbyterial— Mark's Creek 2. Bluff 5.90.
Ben-Salem 8. Mt. Carmel 4. Total ——— " 19.90.
Publication— Sardis ——— 4.50.

Adjourned meeting.

Lecture Room 1st Presbyterian Church,

Wilmington N.C. October 30th 1873.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator, and

Present. was opened with prayer. Present – Ministers:

H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, A. McKay D.D. Archibald Baker, A. McMillan, D. Fairley, M. McNair, A. H. Ferguson, D.D. McBryde, M. McQueen, & Joseph Evans. Ruling Elder – A. McRae, McPherson's Church.

Trial pieces assigned. Trial pieces were assigned to the following brethren:

W. M. McGilvary:

Latin Exegesis – "Qui ecclesiam suam Christi constituit?"

Critical Exercise – Hebrews VII. 1–4 verses.

Lecture Psalm 1st. Popular Sermon, 1st Cor. VI: 20, verse.

Dugald Munroe:

Latin Exegesis – "An Providentia Divina Extendat se ad omnia?"

Critical Exercise – Psalm 49: 12–15 verses.

Lecture – 23rd Psalm. Popular Sermon, John 3: 14, 15 verses.

Daniel A. McRae:

Latin Exegesis – "An Purgatorium?"

Critical Exercise – Galatians 5: 19–21. verses.

Lecture 15th Psalm. Popular Sermon, 1st Peter 1: 23. verse.

Angus McDonald:

Latin Exegesis – "An anima naturaliter immortalis sit?"

Critical Exercise – Romans 11: 7–10 verses.

Lecture – 125th Psalm. Popular Sermon Romans 5: 1st verse.

M. McQueen. Rev. M. McQueen assigned a satisfactory reason for absence from last meeting.

D. College. He also resigned his Trusteeship in Davidson

A. Baker. College, and Rev. Archibald Baker was appointed in his place.

Historical Sk. Mr. McQueen again returned to Presbytery the Historical Sketch of Buffalo Church, with additional information.

He also read his report on Foreign Missions, which was accepted and ordered to be published in the appendix.

Presbytery took a recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

October 31st 1873.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator.

J. A. Smith dismissed. Mr. James A. Smith, a Licentiate, was dismissed, at his own request, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Savannah, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to give him the usual testimonials.

Presbytery took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

November 1st 1873.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator.

Minutes read. The Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned. Presbytery adjourned to meet at Ashpole Church, Robeson County, N.C. Wednesday before the 3rd Sabbath in April 1874, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Appendix.

F. Missions. Foreign Missions:

Every friend of the Redeemer's kingdom rejoices to see the progress it is making in extending itself over the nations of the earth. Zion seems to be engaging in the great work of evangelizing the world with renewed energy and zeal. Our own Church is making rapid progress in this work. In less than a decade, the

F. Missions Continued.

has, under God, sent forth twenty one regularly ordained missionaries, and more than thirty assistant missionaries; in all over fifty labourers into the Foreign field.

Her contributions have increased from two thousand dollars in 1866. to nearly fifty thousand in 1873. and she continues to send forth more labourers into the field, and to establish new stations. But recently three missionaries sailed for China, and our Committee took charge of the mission in Greece, and soon expects to establish a mission in Northern Mexico. While these things are causes of great rejoicing, there are two facts over which we should mourn.

1st. The aggregate contributions of the Church last year fell short of their contributions the previous year over $500.

The 2nd fact is, that out of our 1.505 churches only 690. contributed to this cause; leaving 815, which gave nothing, - 20 more non-contributing churches than there were the previous year. While these facts are deplored by every lover of our Zion, still it is gratifying to us to know, that our Presbytery has not declined in either of these particulars, but on the contrary, it has continued to advance. A year ago, our churches reported $480.41; this year they reported $487.75. $7.34. more than the previous year. Out of our 46 churches, 31 reported contributions last year; this year 33. reported contributions, two more than last year; leaving only 13. non-contributing churches, and of these three are vacant.

While we are much gratified that we have more contributing churches in proportion to our number, than any Presbytery in the State, and probably

in the whole Church, still it is manifest that our aggregate contributions are far less than they should be. We have 4.395 members in our churches, and surely, if their hearts were inspired with zeal for the salvation of the perishing heathen, they could average more than ten or twelve cents to the member.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

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Conclud.d.

Respectfully submitted.

October 30th 1873. A. McDowell. Agent.

One Hundred and Twenty-second Sessions.

Ashpole Church, Robeson County, N.C.
April 15th 1874.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to
Sermon. adjournment, and was opened, in the absence of the
Moderator, with a sermon by Rev. Martin McLean, from
Text. John VI: 68: "Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord,
to whom shall we go: Thou hast the words of eternal life."

After sermon, Rev. M. McNair, the last Moderator present, took the chair and opened the Sessions with prayer.

Present:

Ministers. Ministers: H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, Duncan D. McBryde, N. McKay D.D. Martin McLean, A. McLean, H. G. Heill, D. Fairley, M. McNair, R. N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre, T. L. DeVenney and William S. Lacy.

R. Elders. Churches represented: Antioch, W. S. Morrison; Ashpole, Dugald McCallum; Bethel, Philip McRae; Bethesda, Malcom McNeill; Ben Salem, Daniel McKinnon; Bluff, Dr. H. A. McSwain; Buffalo, R. N. Buie; Centre, R. McCaskill; Fayetteville, Col. W. McL. McKay; Laurel Hill, John McKay; Lebanon, A. S. Baker; Long Street, Duncan Brown; Lumber-Bridge, D. A. Malloy; Lumberton, John A. McAlister; Sandy Grove, D. K. McDuffie; Smyrna, A. J. McLean, St. Pauls, Duncan McNair.

Absent. Absent;

Ministers. Ministers: A. McMillan, Archibald Baker, N. T. Bowden, J. H. Cobb and Joseph Evans.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented: Barbecue, Bethlehem, Carthage and Union, China Grove and Cypress, Euphronia, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurinburgh, McPhersons, Morks Cross, Macedonia, Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Ta Da, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sharon, St. Andrew's and Tirzo.

Moderator & Clks chosen. Rev. William S. Lacy was chosen Moderator and Rev. M. McLean and John A. McAlister temporary Clerks.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for 30 minutes.

After recess, Presbytery met. The reading of the Minutes of our last fall Sessions was omitted.

Sharon Church organized. New Church organized:

Assessed $5. The Committee appointed to organize a Church at the place known as "Branch Station"; Report, that on the 16th day of February, 1874, they organized a Church at said place, consisting of 30 members, with two Ruling Elders, viz; D. Davis and R. J. Fennell.

R. J. Fennell enrolled. The Congregation, by a public vote, named this Church, "Sharon"; The Committee recommend, that said Church be enrolled as one of the Churches of this Presbytery, and that it be assessed five dollars.

Respectfully submitted.

April 15th 1874. D. D. McBryde
H. G. Heill (Committee)

This report was accepted and adopted, and Mr. R. J. Fennell, Elder of said Church, was enrolled.

Church Sessions excused. The following Church Sessions rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our last meeting, viz: China Grove and Cypress, Euphronia,

Buffalo, Fayetteville, Sandy Grove and Terza.

Treas. protem. Com. on R. Exercises.

Col. W. McL. McKay was appointed Treasurer pro tem. Rev. A. McLean and Rev. D.D. McBryde and Dugald McCallum were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

D.S. McAlister, dismissed to Pres. of Harmony.

Mr. David S. McAlister, one of our Licentiates, by letter, requested a dismission, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Harmony.

On motion, this request was granted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish Mr. McAlister with the usual testimonials.

Order of the day.

The place and time for the next meeting of Presbytery, was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning; and to hear reports from Church Sessions on the State of Religion the second order.

Special Com. appointed.

On motion, a Special Committee was appointed consisting of Rev. Messrs T. L. DeVeaux and H. G. Hills and Dr. H. A. McSwain, whose duty it shall be to notice defects and points requiring Presbyterial action in the reports from Church Sessions.

Members appear.

Rev. Messrs Archibald Baker and A. McMillan appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Order of the day.

To choose Commissioners to the General Assembly was made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Donaldson Academy.

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The Stated Clerk announced, that by reason of death, four vacancies had occurred in the Board

Trustees nominated.

of Trustees of Donaldson Academy; whereupon the following nominations to fill said vacancies were made, viz; Dr. H. A. McSwain, Henry McDonald, M. E. Dye and John M. Rose Sen.; the elections to take place to-morrow.

D. College, Papers referred.

Davidson College;

Sundry papers in relation to Davidson College were read and placed in the hands of the following Committee: Rev. Messrs D.D. McBryde and Archibald Baker and Col. W. McL. McKay.

Union Sem. Reports.

Union Seminary;

Reports from the Professors in Union Theological Seminary, Va. as to the progress of our Candidates for the Ministry at that Institution, were read and ordered to be placed on file.

C.A. Munroe a Candidate.

Mr. Colin A. Munroe, a member of Sandy Grove Church and a graduate of Davidson College, was introduced to Presbytery as a Candidate for the Gospel Ministry, and after sustaining a satisfactory examination on experimental religion and his motives in seeking the ministry, he was taken under our care.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part.

Adjourned.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

April 16th 1874.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

R. Elders appear.

The following Ruling Elders appeared and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: Neill A. Currie, Lauchlin G.,

and Capt. James D. McIver, Carthage.

Rev. J. Evans. Rev. Joseph Evans appeared in Presbytery and assigned a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Com. Announced. Committees announced:

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Sessional Records. On Sessional Records — Antioch, Ashpole, Barbacoe, Bethlehem, Bethel and Bethsda, A. McMillan & D. Nickair.

Bon Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage, and Centre — Rev. Joseph Evans and A. S. Baker.

Chinquapin Grove, Cypress, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch and Galatia — Rev. A. A. Ferguson and R. J. Funnell.

Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Laurinburgh, Lebanon and Long-Street — Rev. K. McLean and D. McKinnon.

Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor and Pee Dee — Rev. D. Fairley and D. A. Mallory.

Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, McPherson's Mark Creek, Macedonia and Moseh — Rev. M. McNair and R. McCaskill.

Philadelphus, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove and Shiloh — Rev. A. McLean and D. S. Morrison.

Smyrna, St. Pauls, St. Andrew's Shorwood, Tirzah and Union — R. K. M. McIntyre and Philip McRae.

Narrative. Narrative to General Assembly — Rev. Messrs Archibald Baker and K. M. McIntyre and A. J. McLean.

Minutes of Synod. Minutes of Synod — Rev. Messrs N. McKay D.D. and M. McNair and R. N. Beck.

Place & time of next meeting. Presbytery took up the first order of the day, when Carthage Church, Moore County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the first Sabbath in October 1874, at 11 o'clock A.M. (30th of September) as the time

for holding our fall Sessions.

Reports from Churches. Presbytery took up the second order, when, on motion, only the Statistical parts of Sessional reports were read.

R. Elders appear. The following Ruling Elders appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness: Neill McDonald Big-Rockfish Church, and Dr. J. B. Brown, Iona Church.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess of 5 minutes to meet in the Academy.

Roll of Elders &c. to be published. After recess, Presbytery met. On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to publish in the appendix to the Minutes, a correct roll of all our Ministers, Elders and Deacons, and their post office addresses.

Change in Com. on Natural Sciences. Rev. A. McMillan was made Chairman of the Committee on Natural Science in place of Rev. A. McLean.

This Committee were permitted to retire for the purpose of examining Messrs K. McDonald, C. A. Monroe & E. Marshall Monroe.

Change in another Com. Rev. K. McLean was transferred from the Committee on Theology to that on Latin and Greek, and Rev. M. McLean from Latin and Greek to that on Theology.

Historical Sketches:

Rev. D. D. McBryde was directed to prepare a historical sketch of Bluff Church; Rev. D. Fairley a similar sketch of Long-Street, and Rev. A. McLean of Ashpole.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer's Report, was read and referred to John A. McAlister and D. S. Morrison.

Delinquent Churches to be notified. The Treasurer was ordered to notify such Churches as are delinquent in paying their Presbyterial assessments, and Pastors and Stated Supplies were directed to see that these assessments are paid.

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Calls from Buffalo & Euphronia for Rev. W. S. Lacey.

Also; from Buffalo Church for the pastoral services of Rev. Wm. S. Lacey for three fourths of his time on a salary of $750. per annum; and a call from Euphronia Church for his pastoral services, one fourth of his time on a salary of $250 per annum. These calls were placed in his hands.

Recess.

Presbytery recessed from business for 45 minutes to meet in the Church.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

Supplies for Churches.

The following Churches obtained permission to employ Stated Supplies: Bethesda, to employ Rev. M. McQueen one fourth of his time, salary $200. Laurel Hill, to employ Rev. A. K. Ferguson half his time, salary $400. Smyrna, half his time, salary $400; Rockingham one night every two weeks & fifth Sabbaths - Salary $225.

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Order on Treasurer.

The Stated Clerk was directed to give to each of these Commissioners an order on the Treasurer for $60. and also an order for $30. the assessment of the Assembly on this Presbytery.

Report on Sustentation.

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Rev. H. G. Keith, Chairman of the Committee of Sustentation, submitted his report, which was accepted & adopted.

The Sustentation Committee would report as follows for the ecclesiastical year ending April 1st 1874.

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The average of the salaries promised the labouring Ministers in our Presbytery is about $723.

To raise the average salary to the minimum suggested by the Assembly, $800, would require $600. more than is contributed at present.

The increase in the average of salaries promised, outside of the town of Fayetteville, during last year was $30.

2nd As to Contributions and appropriations for Sustentation.

Covering the ecclesiastical year your Treasurer reports 32 Churches as contributing to Sustentation $379.12. This is an increase for this object upon the previous year of $11.34. The number of contributing Churches, the same this year as last; and 16 Churches are not reported as contributing any thing to Sustentation.

The Appropriations asked for current year.

For Rockingham Church to aid in completing building $200.
For Evangelist (if appointed) 100.
Whole amount. — — — $300.

The sum asked for Rockingham Church has been received and paid to its Elders.

The second installment of the $100. asked for Evangelist, for the last ecclesiastical year, was received after last Fall meeting & paid to Br. L.M. Currie,

Continued, according to order of Presbytery.

The appropriation of $100. for Evangelist, during the current year, was granted by the Assembly's Committee, upon condition that the Presbytery appointed one.

3rd. As to Contributions and Appropriations to Invalid fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year by the Churches — — — $208. 41.

This shows an increase of 9 contributing churches, and of $45.85 to this object upon the previous year.

Last October your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund:

For Mrs John M. Sherrod — $. 50.00.
For Miss Susan Hogshead — " 25.00.
Whole amount — " 75.00.

This sum has been fully paid for current year ending July 1st 1874.

It is gratifying that our contributions to the Invalid fund for the year have exceeded our receipts from it by $133.41.

4th As to our indebtedness to L.M. Currie, our last Evangelist.

The balance due Bro. Currie & uncollected October 1st 1873 $143.37.

From time, to April 1st 1874, your Treasurer has been reported to him, as collected for Bro. Currie — $78.00

Leaving a balance due him now of about — $. 65.37.

Some Churches may have taken up collections for Bro. Currie without reporting the fact to the Treasurer, and their contributions may appear in the fund for general Evangelistic work.

5th As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Bethlehem. H.B. Hill, one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Mizpeh — A.S. Ferguson one Sabbath and Sacrament.

Lebanon – Archibald Baker one Sabbath and Sacrament.

Our Committee would present the following resolutions:

Report on Constitution Concluded.

1st. Resolved, that the Churches which contributed to meet our debt to L. M. Currie during the year ending April 6th 1874, without acquainting our Treasurer with the fact and amount, be directed to inform him, as soon as possible, how much they contributed to this object, and that our Ministers call the attention of their Church officers to this resolution.

2nd. Resolved, that the Stated Clerk be directed to to inquire and report to Presbytery whether Bro. Salem has paid $75. and Lebanon $25. and Bethlehem $30. assessed upon them by Presbytery last July, to meet the indebtedness due Bro. L. M. Currie.

Respectfully submitted.

April 6th 1874. H. G. Hill Chairman.

F. Missions.

Foreign Missions:

Rev. M. McLean, Agent, presented his report on this subject, which was accepted and adopted:

Your Agent would beg leave to report that there has been no marked change in the missionary field since our last report in October. Our missionaries have been permitted to prosecute their chosen work without let or hindrance, and all seem encouraged in their field of labour; and, notwithstanding the financial panic, our Committee, relying on the contributions of God's people, continues to send other labourers into the field. It is a matter of gratitude to God, that while our Synod was for years without a representative

F. Missions. in the Foreign field, previous to the departure of Rev. D. McGilvary for Siam, about sixteen years ago, we now have seven others in the field: three Ministers, two laymen and two ladies – the wives of Messrs Pratt and Colton.

Of this number, one Minister and one Elder are from this Presbytery. While only 690 churches, out of 1505 on the roll of our Assembly, contributed to this cause last year, leaving 815, which gave nothing; of the 47 Churches under the care of our Presbytery, 33 reported contributions to this cause, leaving only 14 which gave nothing.

And while the whole Church gave $5,204. less than it did last year, our Presbytery gave $7,34. more than it ever gave before the war, or before it was divided.

While it is a cause of gratitude and encouragement to our Presbytery, that it has two labourers in the Foreign field, and that it continues to increase both in the number of its contributing Churches and in its contributions, still it is far from doing its duty to the heathen world.

Indeed, the whole Christian Church is painfully remiss in its duty to the heathen. Take our own country as an example: We have about 40 millions of souls enjoying the light of the gospel, while there are in heathen ~~countries~~ about nine hundred millions of souls perishing in their ignorance of the only Saviour of sinners. And yet, for every two Ministers we send to the foreign field, we retain one hundred at home; and for every four dollars we spend in sending the Gospel to the heathen, we spend one hundred at home.

F. Missions Concluded.

Is this the proportion of our men and means that should be employed in sending the glad tidings of salvation to the heathen? Is this all that our Saviour requires us to do for their salvation?

Respectfully submitted,

April 16th 1874. M. McLean. Agent.

Education.

Education:

Rev. H. McLean, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted his report, which was accepted and adopted; and the Committee was authorized to apply to the Committee in Richmond for the aid mentioned in their report.

The Presbyterial Committee of Education would respectfully report, that there are now under your care Eight candidates for the Gospel Ministry, viz: Messrs Kenneth McDonald, William Malcom McIlvary, Angus McDonald, Bugald Munroe, David S. McAlister, Daniel A. McRae, E. Marshall Munroe & Frank P. Harrell.

Messrs Kenneth McDonald, Wm. Malcom McIlvary and Bugald Munroe are at Union Seminary, Va. Messrs David S. McAlister and Daniel A. McRae are at Columbia Seminary, S.C. Mr. E. Marshall Munroe is engaged teaching school; and Mr. Frank P. Harrell is at Davidson College.

Since your last meeting, the following appropriations have been made to our candidates by the Committee at Richmond, Va, viz:

to Mr. Daniel A. McRae	———	$150.00
" " Kenneth McDonald	———	" 160.00
" " Angus McDonald	———	" 160.00
" " Frank P. Harrell	———	" 131.25

Education.

Amount in full ——— $1,601.25

All of your candidates have enjoyed the blessing of good health, except Mr. Daniel A. McRae, who, in consequence of ill health, was compelled to leave the Seminary in January, and has not since been able to return.

The following young men wish to receive aid from the Committee at Richmond, Va. for the next ensuing year, viz: Messrs Kenneth McDonald, Angus McDonald, Frank P. Harrell and Daniel A. McRae, provided his health will admit of his returning to the Seminary the next year.

The amount contributed since your last meeting as reported by your Treasurer up to April 1st by 28 Churches was $516.34, while 18 Churches are reported as not having contributed any thing.

If appropriations be granted to our young men wishing aid for next ensuing year, the amount of $775. will be necessary, if we grant the maximum allowed to young men in our Seminaries and Colleges.

Concluded.

Respectfully Submitted.

April 16th 1874. H. McLean Chairman.

D. Academy.

Donaldson Academy:

The persons nominated on yesterday to fill vacancies in Donaldson Academy, were duly elected.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. R. N. Price.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Ashpole.

April 17th 1874.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected & approved.

Mt. Tabor. Mt Tabor Church obtained a permission to employ Rev. Joseph Evans the afternoon of every third Sabbath, on a salary of $100. per annum.

Rev. T. L. DeVaux. The Stated Clerk was directed to give Rev. T. L. DeVaux an order on the Treasurer for $38.57, to pay for printing and mailing the Minutes of our last Fall Sessions.

Latin & Greek. The Committee on Latin and Greek reported that they had examined E. Marshall Monroe and Kenneth McDonald on those languages and recommended the approval of the same, which was adopted.

K. McD. Mr. Kenneth McDonald was directed to place his Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise in the hands of the above Committee.

Primary English. The Committee on Primary English reported that they had examined Mr. K. McDonald on that subject and recommended that it be sustained as satisfactory; which was adopted.

L. Exegesis &c. The Committee on Latin and Greek reported that they had examined the Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. K. McDonald and recommended that they be sustained, which was likewise adopted.

Lecture. Mr. McDonald read a Lecture on the 23rd Psalm, which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

Presbytery then proceeded to examine Mr. Kenneth McDonald in Theology — natural and revealed — Church Government and the Sacraments, which was sustained.

Publication. Publication.

Rev David Fairley, Agent for Publication, submitted his report, which was accepted, amended & adopted:

It is the work of the Publication Committee to supply our people with the Standards of our Church — with Copies of the Confession of Faith, Catechisms and Hymn Books — to produce, diffuse and defend our distinctive doctrines and Form of Government, and to provide a wholesome literature.

It is an effective agency in missionary labor. Through its publications the destitute regions, the high-ways and hedges, may be reached more effectually than in any other way. By its operations, saving truth is scattered among perishing thousands.

It is not then, a mere secular concern, as some are disposed to regard it, but a most powerful instrumentality in building up Christ's Kingdom in the world. It justly deserves the sympathy and prayers of the entire Church. What we need is to be brought into close relations with this part of the Church's work.

Therefore Resolved 1st That we do now appoint Mr. Colin A. Monroe to act as Colporteur within our bounds for three months and a half, and to

Publication. act as agent for the North Carolina Presbyterian, and as distributing agent for the Bible society, and that we guarantee to him a salary of $25. a month in addition to Commission on sales.

Resolved 2nd That we raise at once $200. for Colportage work

Resolved 3rd That the Treasurer, in settling with Bro. L. W. Currie the balance due upon his salary as Evangelist, according to resolution passed yesterday, be instructed to receive from Bro. Currie the amount he owes the Presbytery as Colporteur, and place the same to the

Concluded. credit of the Colportage Fund of the Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted,

April 17th 1874. David Fairley Agent,

Hebrew. The Committee on Hebrew reported, that they had examined Mr. H. McDonald on that language, and recommended its approval, which was adopted.

D. College. Davidson College:

The Committee to whom the papers from Davidson College had been referred, presented their report, which was adopted:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville desiring to to extend the influence and increase the patronage, resources and efficiency of Davidson College, hereby resolves:

Resolution 1st That the Trustees of Davidson College be authorized to accept the amendments to the Charter of said College granted by the Legislature of North Carolina, and ratified

D. College. on the Eleventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy three (the other Presbyteries concurring.)

Resolution 2. That in case any of the Presbyteries shall surrender the privilege of electing any portion of the Trustees to which they are now entitled, the number thus surrendered shall be at the disposal of the Board.

Resolution 3. That the Board of Trustees be empowered (the other Presbyteries concurring,) to invite such other Presbyteries in our connection as may be willing to unite with us in the control of the College, and to extend to them the privilege of electing such a number of Trustees as may be determined by the Board.

Resolution 4. That the Board of Trustees be authorized to amend the Constitution of the College, and to modify the same without further reference to the Presbyteries; Provided, such amendments shall not be in conflict with the Charter of the College, nor with the fundamentals upon which the College is organized; and provided further, that these privileges shall not be construed as authorizing the Trustees to take any steps towards the transfer of the government of Davidson College from the Presbyterian Church, of which privileges the Presbyteries shall be sole judges.

Concluded.

Popular sermon. Presbytery then proceeded to hear the popular

H. McD. sermon of Mr. Kenneth McDonald, on the text previously assigned him — John 3: 16. — which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

Presbytery recessed from business one half hour.

After recess, Presbytery met.

Sardis Church. Sardis Church obtained permission to employ Rev. D. D. McBryde one half of his time upon such salary as may be agreed upon by the parties concerned.

Minutes of Synod. The Committee on the Minutes of Synod reported, that they find nothing in those Minutes requiring the action of this Presbytery. This report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Moral Science. The Committee on Moral Science reported, that they had examined C. A. Munroe, E. Marshall Munroe and Kenneth McDonald, and recommended that this examination be sustained. This report was adopted.

Aid for Candidates. Additional aid for Candidates.

Resolved, That the Committee on Education be and hereby are instructed to make application to the Committee of Education, for such appropriations as may be necessary to aid any of our Candidates not named in the report of said Committee adopted by Presbytery.

S. Schools. Sabbath-Schools.

The Committee on Sabbath-Schools submitted their report, which was approved and ordered to be printed in the Appendix (See Appendix A.) and to be forwarded to the Assembly.

Trial pieces for E. M. Munroe. The following themes for trial pieces were assigned to E. Marshall Munroe;

Latin Exegesis — "An Persona Spiritus Sanctus est?"

Critical Exercise — Joel 3: 18-21, vs. inclusive.

Lecture. — Psalm Third.

Sermon — John 3: 7.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. Nixie McKay D. D. and John McKay.

N. C. Presbyterian. North Carolina Presbyterian.

The following paper in reference to the North Carolina Presbyterian was adopted:

Whereas, an able religious paper is a necessity in our Presbytery, and whereas, "The North Carolina Presbyterian" is eminently worthy of our patronage, it should be placed, if possible, in the hands of every family in our bounds, therefore —

Resolved 1st. That we regard this paper as an instrument of great good to our people, and that, in our judgment, its circulation should be extended.

Resolved 2nd. That we, the members of this Presbytery, will give this subject our special attention, and endeavour to place it within the reach of all our people.

Report on Treas. Acct. Report on Treasurer's Account.

The Committee to whom the Treasurer's Report had been referred, made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee appointed, the report of the Treasurer, Report that they have performed the duty, as far as practicable, and find, that during the year, Lumber-Bridge Church contributed to the fund for disabled Ministers $7. 80. for L. W. Currie $3. 80. neither of which it seems, so far as we can find, is credited to this Church.

The report, so far as we have been able to ascertain, is otherwise correct. We recommend that the Treasurer, hereafter be directed to make an annual report in the Spring, and a semi-annual in the fall.

Respectfully submitted

April 17th 1874. J. A. McAlister Chairman.

C. A. McMillan. Mr. C. A. McMillan was re-elected Treasurer (App. B.)

Narrative.

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The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly made the following report, which was adopted:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville begs leave to report to the General Assembly that the churches within its bounds are, by the grace of God, not only encouraging, but progressing in the work of the Master. Our Ministers are laborious, faithful and self-sacrificing, and many of them have been peculiarly blessed in their work, and the pleasure of the Lord has prospered in their hands.

Souls have been given them for their hire. Many of the churches, also, are giving pleasing evidences of faithfulness, harmony, and brotherly love.

Our reports show that God has been adding to his church daily, of such as shall be saved. We have on our rolls 48 churches, 32 of which have reported accessions on examination. The whole number added to these churches in the last ecclesiastical year is 439, showing an average of 13 to each church. It seems that these accessions have been made almost entirely from children of the church, connected with our Sabbath-schools and Bible-classes, showing God's faithfulness to his covenant, which he will neither alter nor break.

But at the same time, while we rejoice and give God the glory for these tokens of divine favor, we cannot but be pained when we

Narrative. witness the little progress made from year to year, in the grace of giving. It is to be feared that the spirit of covetousness is sustained, to an alarming extent, in many of our best and most efficient churches. Many seem to come short in this regard, in obeying the Master who said to his disciples: "Beware of covetousness, for a man's life consisteth not in the things which he possesseth."

Our standard of liberality, as a general thing, is far too low, we readily confess. And yet we are encouraged at every step made in the right direction, and are glad to report that the churches are evidently growing in their love for systematic giving, and are stepping forward, though slowly, yet, we believe, surely.

Last year, only 28 churches sent in reports; this year 36 have been heard from, leaving only 12 doubtful and weak churches that have failed to respond to the order of Presbytery.

Thus, while we rejoice in hope, we find it necessary to exercise patience, and let her have her perfect work. We must obey and toil on, "diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

Respectfully submitted.

April 17th 1874. Archibald Baker Chairman.

Calls accepted.

Calls accepted.

Rev. Joseph Evans having signified his acceptance of the Calls from St. Paul's and Big-Rockfish, the following arrangements were made for his installation:

St. Paul's. At St. Paul's, on the 10th day of June 1874. Rev. A. McAlister to preach, preside and propose the constitutional questions;

Rev. Archibald Baker to charge the Pastor, and Rev. M. McLean the people.

Big Rockfish. At Big Rockfish, on the 17th day of June 1874, Rev. William S. Lacey to preach, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; Rev. D. D. McBryde to charge the Pastor, and Rev. H. G. Hill the people.

Rev. W. S. Lacey. To install Rev. William S. Lacey:

Rev. Wm S. Lacey having signified his acceptance of the Calls from Buffalo and Euphronia, the following arrangements were made for his installation:

Buffalo. At Buffalo, on Saturday before the 4th Sabbath in May 1874. Rev. H. G. Hill to preach, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; Rev. ~~[illegible]~~ James McLean to charge the Pastor and people, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux to be alternate to either.

Euphronia. At Euphronia Church on Saturday before the 5th Sabbath in May 1874. Rev. M. McLean to preach the sermon, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; Rev. D. Fairley to charge the Pastor and people, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux to be alternate to either.

K. McD. Presbytery then examined Mr. Kenneth McDonald on Church History, which was sustained.

Sustained. Mr. McDonald having now passed through all the parts of trial for Licensure, on motion, all these were sustained as a whole.

Licensed. Presbytery then proceeded to license him, the said Kenneth McDonald, to preach the Gospel, as prescribed in our Form of Government, Chapter XIV. Sections 7 and 8, and the Stated Clerk placed

a copy of his license, duly attested, in his hands.

Evangelistic work. He was then appointed to do Evangelistic work among our Vacant Churches during his Seminary Vacation.

Visitation. The Committees appointed to visit groups of Churches reported only a partial performance of duty.

Systematic Benevolence. Systematic Benevolence:

The Committee on Systematic Benevolence presented their Report, which was approved.

The Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly for the year ending April 1st 1874.

From April 1st 1873 to October 1st 1873.

Objects.	No. of Churches Contributing	Amounts.
Relief Fund for disabled Ministers	14	$148. 14.
Education	12.	" 98. 18.
Sustentation	18.	" 178. 53.
Publication	20.	" 177. 43.
Foreign Missions	30.	" 375. 67.
Miscellaneous	11.	" 76. 86.
From October 1st 1873 to April 1st 1874.		
Relief Fund H	10.	" 62. 18.
Education	28.	" 358. 34.
Sustentation	22.	" 203. 94.
Publication	18.	" 182. 86.
Foreign Missions	11.	" 92. 38.
Evangelistic Fund	19.	" 157. 06.
Total		$2,111. 57.

The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Report to the General Assembly, which was approved. (See appendix G.)

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due, and are hereby tendered to Ashpole Congregation for their generous hospitality to the members during our present sessions; and that their Pastor, Rev. A. McLean, be directed to read this resolution from the pulpit.

Postponed.

The paper on Presbyterial Committees, placed on the docket last Fall, was, on motion, postponed until our next meeting.

Sessional Records appr.

The following Sessional Records were approved: Laurinburgh, Buffalo, Carthage, Bluff, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Harmony, Long Street, Bethesda, Ashpole, Bethel, Antioch, Fayetteville, China Grove, Euphronia, Galatia, Rockingham, Philadelphus, Sandy Grove, Union, Tiza, Smyrna, St. Pauls, and Centre; and Mt. Tabor and McPherson's with exceptions.

Statistical Reports.

Report on Statistical Reports:

The Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Statistical Reports from the Churches, would report that they have examined the said reports, and are much gratified at the fact that but few of our Churches have sent up defective reports. The defects discovered, while not glaring and extensive, are yet such as might have been easily avoided. For instance: In two reports, the names of Churches, Pastors or Supplies, Clerks of Sessions, and the dates, fail to appear.

In another report, the total number of Communicants is not given. In a few of the reports all the columns are filled out. In a majority, most of the columns are filled out, and in some the larger

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part of the columns are left blank. This is especially observable in the columns devoted to systematic beneficence.

We further notice that some of the Churches do not seem sufficiently to understand what is meant by "Congregational" and "miscellaneous," provided for in the blanks.

We would recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That while the Presbytery expresses its gratification at the evident care with which a large majority of the Statistical Reports from the Churches have been prepared, they yet regret that some of the reports are not as full and faithful as they might have been made; and the Presbytery does hereby urge upon delinquent Churches, greater care and fidelity in furnishing, as far as possible, full and exact statements of all

Concluded.

their operations during the year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Statistical Report to Ass.

The Statistical Report to the General Assembly was approved:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the General Assembly, that, at present, they consist of 19 Ministers, and have under their care one licentiate, 48 Churches and seven Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 10th day of July 1873, they received Rev. Archibald Butler and Rev. T. L. DeVaux by letter from the Presbytery of Florida; and that on the same day, they received Rev. William S. Lacy by letter from the Presbytery of Abingdon; that on the 11th day of July 1873, they licensed Mr. David S. McAlister to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 12th day of July 1873, they installed Rev.

Continued. Archibald Baker Pastor of Centre Church; that on the 9th day of October 1873, they dismissed Mr. John Hill Rose, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of East Hanover; that on the 10th day of October 1873, they received under their care the recently organized Church of Flat Branch; and that on the same day they dismissed Mr. L. W. Currie, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Montgomery; that on the 31st day of October 1873, they dismissed Mr. James A. Smith, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Savannah; that on the 15th day of April 1874, they dismissed Mr. David S. McAlister, a licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Harmony; that on the same day they received under their care the recently organized Church of Shorrod, and that on the 17th day of April 1874, they licensed Mr. Kenneth McDonald to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.
April 17th 1874. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Treasurer pro tem. Col. W. McL. McKay submitted his report as Treasurer pro tem. and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to Mr. C. A. McMillan, Treasurer of Presbytery. (Appendix B.)

300 Copies to be printed. The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish 300 copies of our present Minutes in pamphlet form.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in Carthage,

Moore County, N.C. on Wednesday before the 1st Sabbath in October 1874, at 11 o'clock A.M. (30th day of September,) Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Appendix A.

Report on Sabbath-Schools.

Number of Teachers 136. Number of Scholars 1070. Average of Teachers 102; of Scholars 722. Increase of Teachers, 17; of Scholars 145. Decrease of Teachers 3; of Scholars 15. Number added to the Church - Teachers 12; of Scholars 138. Collections for the schools $32.54. For Missionary purposes: $16.18.

Suitable Blanks were sent to all the Church Sessions, with a request to fill said blanks and forward them to B. Fuller, Esqr. Fayetteville, N.C. Chairman of the Committee; and yet, of our 48 Churches, only 22 complied with the order.

It is to be hoped that next year more attention will be paid to this important subject.

Respectfully Submitted
April 17th 1874. B. Fuller Chairman.

Appendix B.
Treasurer's Report – See printed Copy.

Appendix C.
Annual Report – See printed table.

Appendix B.

COLLECTIONS IN FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY,

From Treasurer's Report from Oct. 1st 1873, to April 1st 1874.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Ashpole, $10; Bluff, $1; Cypress, $5; China Grove, $12; Fayetteville, $20; Lumberton, $3; Mt. Pisgah, $8; Mineral Spring, $1 40; Sardis, $28 73; Sharon, $3 25; Sandy Grove, $1. Total, $92 38.

EDUCATION.

Antioch, $10; Ashpole, $5; Bethel, $2 60; Bluff, $31; Big Rockfish, $24 45 Buffalo, 46 70; Bethesda, $5 15; Cypress, $3 29; China Grove, $12; Euphronia, $16 90; Fayetteville, $20; Galatia, $7 55; Harmony, $2 95; Laurel Hill, $56 70; Lumberton, $13 10; Lumber Bridge, $10 05; Mt. Pisgah, $5; Mt. Tabor, $3; McPherson's, $10 05; Mt. Carmel, $1; Pee Dee, $6; Philadelphus, $5 80; Salem, $5; Smyrna, $17 40; St. Paul's, $20; St. Andrew's, $11 25; Sandy Grove, $2 40; Tirza, $4. Total, $358 34.

SUSTENTATION.

Antioch, $7 10; Ashpole, $10; Bethel, $2 05; Bluff, $22 22; Buffalo, $21 20; Cypress, $3; China Grove, $24; Euphronia, $12 85; Fayetteville, $25; Galatia, $4 86; Harmony, $5; Laurel Hill, $16 50; Lumberton, $9 10; Lumber Bridge, $6 55, Macedonia, $1; Mt. Pisgah, $4; McPherson's, $9 51; Mineral Spring, $1; Mt. Carmel, $1; Philadelphus, $2; Smyrna, $9; St. Paul's, $7. Total, $203 94.

PUBLICATION. (ENDOWMENT.)

Antioch, $15 50; Ashpole, 5 00; Bethel, 5 00; Bluff, 10 50; Cypress, 3 00; China Grove, 12 00; Fayetteville, 65 00; Galatia, 8 60; Laurel Hill, 14 00; Lumber Bridge, 6 40; Mt. Pisgah, 5 00; McPherson's, 9 71; Philadelphus, 2 65; Salem, 7 00; Sardis, 4 50; Smyrna, 6 00; Sandy Grove, 1 00; Tirza, 2 00. Total, $182 86.

PUBLICATION. (BUILDING.)

China Grove, $10 00; Euphronia, 6 75; Galatia, 5 07; Laurel Hill, 25 00; Lumberton, 9 00; Lumber Bridge, 8 00; McPherson's, 9 24; Smyrna, 15 00; Tirza, 8 00. Total, $96 06.

DISABLED MINISTERS.

Bluff, $6 83; Cypress, 3 00; Fayetteville, 20 00; Lumberton, 6 90; Mt. Pisgah, 2 00; Mt. Tabor, 3 00; Salem, 3 00; Sardis, 12 46; Sharon, 2 00; Tirza, 3 00. Total, $62 18.

EVANGELISTS. (GENERAL.)

Ben Salem, $23 25; Cypress, 1 00; Euphronia, 9 20; Laurel Hill, 21 50; Lumberton, 7 00; Lumber Bridge, 4 00; Macedonia, 1 00; Mt. Tabor, 2 00; McPherson's, 5 00; Pee Dee, 2 50; Philadelphus, 3 00; Salem, 3 00; Sardis, 28 71; Sharon, 1 75; Smyrna, 5 15; Tirza, 3 00. Total, $121 06.

EVANGELISTS. (SPECIAL.)

Pee Dee, 1 00; St. Paul's, 10 00; Sherwood, 25 00. Total, $36 00.

PRESBYTERIAL.

Antioch, 7 50; Ashpole, 25 00; Bluff, 5 90; Buffalo, 25 00; Ben Salem, 8 00; China Grove, 10 00; Galatia, 12 00; Lumberton, 8 00; McPherson's, 8 00; Mark's Creek, 2 00, Mt. Carmel, 4 00. Total, $115 40.

TOTAL.

F. Missions,	$ 92 33
Education,	358 34
Sustentation,	203 94
Publication. (Endowment.)	182 86
Publication. (Building.)	96 06
Disabled Ministers,	62 18
Evangelists. (General.)	121 06
Evangelists. (Special)	36 00
Presbyterial,	115 40
	$1,268 22

COLLECTIONS AT PRESBYTERY.

SUSTENTATION.

Sardis, 19 43; Union, 8 00; Centre, 25 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurinburg, 4 32; Sharon, 1 25; Pee Dee, 3 00; Rockingham, 4 30; Iona, 1 00. Total, $67 30.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Union, 8 00; Centre, 15 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurinburg, 4 32; Bethesda, 6 40; Mt. Carmel, 3 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Iona, 1. Total, $41 72.

EDUCATION.

Sardis, 15 23; Union, 20 00; Centre, 15 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurinburg, 4 32; Mt. Carmel, 1 00; Sharon, 2 50; Rockingham, 3 00; Iona, 1 00. Total $63 05.

PUBLICATION.

Sardis, 7 68; Union, 2 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurinburg. 4 32; Mt. Carmel, 2 00; Sharon, 1 20; Pee Dee, 4 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Iona, 1 00; Lebanon, 11 00. Total, $37 20.

DISABLED MINISTERS

Union, 5 05; Centre, 3 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurinburg, 4 34; Mt Carmel, 2 15; Rockingham, 2 00; Iona, 1 00. Total, $18 54.

PRESBYTERIAL.

Tirza, 10 00; Sardis, 4 27; Union, 20 00; Bluff, 5 50; Centre 20 00; Carthage, 12 00; Bethel, 7 20; Laurinburg, 8 00; Montpelier, 5 00; Euphronia, 10 00; Smyrna, 12 00; St. Paul's, 15 00; Sandy Grove, 11 40; Bethesda, 10 00; Lumber Bridge, 8 00; Laurel Hill, 18 00; Mt. Carmel, 4 00; Sharon, 5 00; Dee Dee, 10 00; Macedonia, 6 00; Ben Salem, 8 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Iona, 6 00; Big Rockfish, 10 00; Mt. Tabor, 5 00. Total, $233 37.

TOTAL.

Sustentation,	$ 67 30
Foreign Missions,	41 72
Education,	63 05
Publication,	37 20
Disabled Ministers,	18 54
Presbyterial,	233 37
	$461 18

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of FAYETTEVILLE reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 19 Ministers, and has under its care 48 Churches, 1 Licentiate and 7 Candidates.

MINISTERS, LICENTIATES, AND CANDIDATES.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	COMMUNICANTS. Added on Examination	COMMUNICANTS. Added on Certificate	COMMUNICANTS. Total of Communicants	BAPTISMS. Adult	BAPTISMS. Infant	Children in Sabbath Schools and Bible Classes	FUNDS COLLECTED. Sustentation	Foreign Missions	Education	Publication	Disabled Ministers and widows and orphans of Ministers	Pastors' salaries actually paid	Congregational	Presbyterial	S. School collections	Miscellaneous	Sabbath School papers	No. of Volumes in Library
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P.	6	2	134	1	8	48	$ 7 10	$10 00	$10 00	$15 50		$ 110 00		$12 00	$ 1 35	$12 00		157
" "	" "	Philadelphus, P.			111		2	51	5 00	6 00	5 80	2 65	3 00	87 00	$ 22 25	10 00	2 00	6 15	18	86
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	McPherson's, S. S.	11		68	5	5	25	19 31	21 00	10 05	18 75	4 75	266 33	37 18	8 00			16	100
" " "	" "	Galatia, S. S.	37		148	4	2	73	4 86	10 90	14 85	13 67	16 35	266 33	16 48	12 00	8 22		1	74
" " "	" "	Lumber Bridge, S. S	29		85	15	9	25	14 35	7 60	10 05	14 40	7 80	248 58	12 20	8 00		9 50		38
Neill McKay, D.D., S. S.	Summerville.	Salem, S. S.			42															
" " "	" "	Tirza, S. S.			60		1	30	3 00	5 00	4 00	10 00	3 00			10 00				100
" " "	" "	Sandy Grove, S. S.	1		95	1	6		3 58	1 00	2 40	1 00	1 80			11 40				40
Andrew McMillan, S. S.	Laurel Hill,	Mt. Carmel, S. S.			49															
Archibald Baker, P.	Shoe Heel,	Centre, P.	56	14	202	7	18	121	25 00	15 00	15 00	20 00	3 00	800 00	120 00	35 00	20 10		50	113
D. D. McBryde, P.	Lit. River Academy,	Bluff, P.	9		155		1	75	23 07	7 00	31 00	10 05		400 00		5 50				400
" " "	" "	Sardis, S. S.			50		1	40	19 43		5 23					4 27				300
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage,	Carthage, P.	5	2	139	4	3	25	10 00	10 00	12 94	5 00	5 00	156 70		12 00	10 00	37 25		120
" " "	"	Union, P.	8		300	3	17	125	20 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	15 30	466 33		20 00			23	
" " "	"	Bethesda, S. S.	3		135		5	20		6 40	5 15					10 00				
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station,	St. Andrew's, S. S.	5	2	101	3	8		2 00	2 00	12 60			125 00	10 86					
" " "	" "	Barbacue, S. S.			84															
" " "	" "	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.			42															
" " "	" "	Flat Branch, S. S.			28															
N. T. Bowden, S. S.	Bostick's Mills,	Harmony, S. S.			56															
Archibald McQueen, P.	Shoe Heel,	Ashpole, P.	99	5	379	43	17	60	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00		750 00	133 00					
" " "	" "	Iona, S. S.	16		64	5	2	70	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	250 00		8 00			12	
" " "	" "	Lumberton, S. S.	21	2	44	5	8	24	21 10	7 00	13 10	11 50	6 90	50 00			20 20		8	20
John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	Laurinburgh, S. S.	2	1	50	1	2	20	7 00	10 61	7 00	7 00	7 00	621 50	9 04	8 00				
H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville,	Fayetteville, P.	8	7	186	4	10	85	57 59	51 82	53 93	97 32	48 79	1500 00	185 20	30 00	79 43	39 41	64	160
David Fairley, P.	Manchester,	Cypress, P.	6		72	2	4		6 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	200 00						50
" " "	"	China Grove, P.	2		82		2	25	36 00	18 00	18 00	18 00		500 00		10 00	15 00	608 00	10	200
" " "	"	Long Street, S. S.	5	2	82	2	3	20	9 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	1 00	200 00		8 00				
Malcom McNair, P.	Melrose,	Bethel, P.	16	1	78	4	7	51	2 05	3 55	2 60	5 00	4 05	116 00		7 20			10	30
" " "	"	Montpelier, S. S.			4															
A. N. Ferguson, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	Laurel Hill, S. S.	9		190	6	12	30	16 50	25 90	56 45	77 50	15 00	344 00	9 00	18 00		9 45	22	
" " "	"	Smyrna, S. S.	2		170		4	60	8 80	9 70	17 00	28 00	5 15	330 00		12 00	5 00	9 80		
" " "	"	Rockingham, S. S.	3		9			30	4 30	3 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	225 00	200 00	3 00				200
K. M. McIntyre, P.	Bttler's Ford,	Mineral Springs, P.			131		5	20	2 05	5 94	1 50		2 46	200 00						
" " "	" "	Pee Dee, S. S.			20				5 50	7 30	5 00	3 00	5 00	200 00		10 00				
" " "	" "	Sharon, S. S.	2		70	1			1 25	2 50	3 20	1 20	2 00	175 00		5 00				
" " "	" "	Macedonia, S. S.			45		5		1 50			1 00		140 00		6 00				
" " "	" "	Ben Salem, S. S	4	1	100		4									8 00				
Joseph Evans, P. E.	St. Paul's,	St. Paul's, P. E	32		146	15	1	125	7 00		20 00		13 00	415 00	75 00	15 00		75 00	8	175
" " "	"	Big Rockfish, P. E.	34		117	26	3	35	4 80	17 00	26 45		10 00	250 00				60 00		200
" " "	"	Mt. Tabor, S. S.	7		42	4	6	30		4 00	3 00			100 00	35 00					
" " "	"	Sherwood Chapel, S. S	1	31	32			30	25 00					75 00				60 00		50
T. L. DeVeaux, Ed. N. C. P.	Fayetteville,																			
William S. Lacy, P. E.	Jonesboro',	Buffalo, P. E.	3	5	213	1	5	72	56 59	42 55	46 70	13 00	11 71	375 00	40 56	25 00		13 50	20	250
" " "	"	Euphronia, P. E		1	92		6	35	5 07	10 60	16 89	6 75	7 70	125 00	30 00	10 00			17	
		Lebanon, V.		2	10			15								11 00			1	
		Mark's Creek, V.			39															
		Mizpeh, V.			14															
		Bethlehem, V.			12															
19		48	442	78	4572	162	192	1495	434.80	366.37	470.89	411.89	205.76	10,068.67	935.77	352.37	161.30	934.06	280	2825

Licensures, 2. Ordinations, none. Installations, 1. Pastoral relations dissolved, none. Churches organized, 2. Churches dissolved, none. Churches received from other denominations, none. Churches dismissed to other denominations, none. Ministers received from other denominations, none. Ministers dismissed to other denominations, none. No deaths since last report.

By order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

ASHPOLE CHURCH, N. C., April 17th, 1874.

Conceived N.C. Oct. 16th. 1874
Examined and approved.
J. Kemple, Mod.

Minutes of the One Hundred and Twenty-Third Sessions.

Carthage, Moore County, N.C.
September 30th 1874.

Opening Sermon. Text.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. William S. Lacy, the retiring Moderator from Psalm 48, 12 and 13th verses; "Walk about Zion, and go round about her; tell the towers thereof. Mark ye well her bulwarks, Consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following."

Constituted.

After sermon, the Moderator called the Presbytery to order and opened the Sessions with prayer.

Present Ministers.

Present;

Ministers - H. McLean, M. McLean, Joseph Evans, James McLean, H. G. Hill, D. Fairley, K. M. McIntyre and William S. Lacy.

Churches represented.

Churches represented - Bethesda, John B. Graham; Ben Salem, Daniel B. Currie; Big-Rockfish, Daniel McMillan; Buffalo, R. M. Cole; Carthage, David Blue; Laurel Hill, Maj. John McNeill; Macedonia, Neill Gillis; Mineral Spring, Patrick Reid; Mt. Carmel, N. J. McLeod, and Sandy Grove, John A. Gillis.

Absent.

Absent;

Ministers - J. P. McPherson, N. McKay D.D., A. McMillan, Archibald Baker, D.D., McBryde, N. T. Borden, A. McLean, J. H. Coble, M. McNair, T. L. DeVereux and A. N. Ferguson.

Churches not represented - Antioch, Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Bluff, Centre, China Grove, Cypress, Eucphronia, Flat Branch, Fayetteville, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurinburgh, Lebanon, Long-Street, Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, McPherson's, Marks Creek, Mizpah, Montpelier, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Pauls, St. Andrews, Shiloh & Tirzah.

Moderator & Clerks Chosen.

Rev. David Fairley was chosen Moderator, and Rev. K. M. McIntyre and Mr. John B. Graham Temporary Clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess for forty five minutes.

After recess, Presbytery met, when Rev. Messrs J. P. McPherson and A. N. Ferguson appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, the reading of the reading of the Minutes of our last Spring sessions was omitted.

Excused.

Rev. James McLean rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our last spring meeting; and the following churches likewise assigned satisfactory reasons for not being represented, viz; Barbecue, Flat Branch, McPherson's, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham and St. Andrews.

Rev. M. McN. N. death.

Death Announced;

Rev. Hector McLean solemnly announced the death of Rev. Malcom McNair; whereupon the following Committee was appointed to bring in a suitable minute for the adoption of Presbytery, and also a biographical sketch of his life and labours, viz; Rev. Messrs Hector McLean and Joseph Evans & Maj. John McNeill.

Committee appointed.

Orders of day.

Free Conversation on the state of Religion was made

Orders of the day, the order of the day for 10 o'clock, A.M. to-morrow; Report on Foreign Missions second order of the day for to-morrow forenoon, and Place and time of next meeting first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Education was made the second order for to-morrow afternoon, Sustentation the first, and Publication the second order for Friday morning.

Installations. Installations:

The Committees appointed to install Rev. Joseph Evans Pastor of of St. Paul's and Big-Rockfish Churches, reported that they had discharged these duties; And also those appointed to install Rev. William S. Lacy Pastor of Buffalo and Euphronia Churches, that they discharged the duties at the times appointed.

Groups of Churches. The Committees appointed to visit groups of Churches reported that they had made some progress in this work, and that the results had been beneficial to the Churches.

Rev. William S. Lacy was added to the to the visiting Committee for First district; Rev. Archibald Baker to take the place of Rev. M. McNair, deceased, on Fifth District, and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux on second district.

D. College. The Stated Clerk read the Report of the Trustees of Davidson College, which was accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

Trustee elected. Rev. Archibald Baker was re-elected a Trustee of Davidson College for four years.

Papers from Gen. Ass. A printed circular from the General Assembly in reference to the Contingent Fund, was read and referred to the following Committee, to report at our Spring

Committee appointed. Sessions, viz: Rev. Messrs Hill, N. McKay D.D. and B. Fuller, Ruling Elder.

A printed circular from the same body on Systematic Beneficence was also referred to the following Committee, viz: Rev. Messrs M. McLean, W. S. Lacy and James McLean.

Rev. A. Baker. Rev. Archibald Baker appeared in Presbytery and assigned a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Committees announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees:— On Religious Exercises— Rev. M. McLean and Daniel Blue. Minutes of General Assembly— Rev. Messrs Ferguson, J. McLean and R. M. Cole.

Former Treas. The Stated Clerk presented the account of Rev. T. L. DeVeaux for printing the Minutes of our last Spring Sessions, which was approved and ordered to be paid.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Thursday morning, October 1st 1874.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

R. Es appear. Malcom Dalrymple, Ruling Elder of Salem Church, and Dereneu Davis, Ruling Elder of Sharon Church, appeared in Presbytery, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled.

Corresponding member. Rev. S. D. Adams of the M. E. Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a Corresponding member.

Manual & Map — The following resolutions were adopted, viz:

Resolved— That Presbytery appoint a Committee to digest

the Standing Rules of this body, and prepare a manual of the Presbytery.

Map &c. Resolved further, That this Committee be directed to inquire as to the cost of preparation of a map of Presbytery.

Committee. The following brethren were appointed as this Committee — Rev. Messrs Lacy, Hill and A. McLean and W. McL. McKay.

R.E. appears. Ruling Elder, Hector McNeill, of Mt. Pisgah Church, appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness and his name was enrolled.

Overture to Synod:—

Overture. Presbytery adopted the following Overture to Synod, viz:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to take into consideration the propriety of the preparation of an ecclesiastical map of the Synod.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to lay before Synod a copy of the above overture.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:—

Committees appointed. To prepare a Narrative of the State of Religion to Synod:— W. S. Lacy, Joseph Evans and Maj. John McNeill.

Treasurer pro tem. Rev. Joseph Evans.

1st Order — F. Con. The first order of the day, viz: Free Conversation on the State of Religion, was taken up, when reports were heard from the Churches.

R. Elder. A. J. Graham, Ruling Elder of Mt. Pherson Church, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Methodist & B. Churches. The case of the houses of worship of the Methodist and Baptist Churches in this place having been tendered to Presbytery; Whereupon this Courtesy was duly acknowledged, and the matter referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

Recess — Presbytery took a recess of 5 minutes to meet in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met.

Rep. postponed. The second order of the day, viz: The Report on Foreign Missions was, on motion, postponed for the present.

Biographical Sketch of Rev. Malcom McNair.

Biographical Sketch Rev. M. McNair. Rev. H. McLean read a Biographical Sketch of the life and labours of Rev. Malcom McNair, deceased, which was accepted and ordered to be recorded in the Biographical Sketch Book.

Resolutions. Rev. Joseph Evans, of the same Committee, presented the following preamble and resolutions which were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased the Author of every good and perfect gift, to remove from us by death, July 20th 1874, in the fifty-first year of his age, and in the fourteenth year of his connection, as a minister, with this Presbytery, Rev. Malcom McNair, Pastor of Bethel Church and Stated Supply of Mt. Pisgah Church, and Principal of Tradesman Academy:

Resolved, 1st That while with sorrow we record the removal by death, in the prime of life, and at a time when his labours gave promise of increased usefulness among us, of our faithful, learned and beloved brother; yet we would bow with humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father.

Resolved 2. That this paper be recorded in our Minutes, a copy furnished to his son, John Murdoch Murphy McNair, and also for publication in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

On motion, the action of Presbytery yesterday on the Overture of the General Assembly in reference to Benificence was reconsidered, when said paper was read, and again referred to the same Committee.

Presbytery then took recess until 2 o'clock P.M., to meet in the Church.

Place & time of meeting.

After recess Presbytery met, and took up the first order of the day for this afternoon, when Rockingham, Richmond County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1875, at 7 O'Clock P.M. as the time.

Second order Education.

Education:

Presbytery took up the second order of the day for this afternoon; viz: Education, when the Report was read and adopted, viz:

The Presbyterial Committee of Education respectfully Report to Presbytery, that the number of Candidates for the Holy Ministry, under your care, is seven.

All these candidates, and your recent Licentiate, except one who is prosecuting his literary studies, are engaged in their Theological studies.

In obedience to your instructions, appropriations were requested of the Assembly's Committee, Memphis, Tennessee, the 8th of July, for five of these Candidates, and also for our Licentiate, who is still pursuing his Theological studies, amounting to Eleven hundred and Seventy five dollars ($1.175.) But no direct information has been received from the Committee in reference to this request.

The Secretary pro tem, in a circular which we saw published about the 15th of July, makes the following statement: "We found the former Treasurer accredited to the amount of $1,520.70. Appropriations were passed by the former Committee amounting to $2.965.79. No assistance can be

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given a single beneficiary, and this is our present answer to a large number of letters transferred to us by the former Committee."

The last Annual Report of the Assembly's Committee reveals the mournful fact, that there was a deficiency of three or four thousand dollars at the close of the former ecclesiastical year. With these facts before us, we still advised our young men to go on in the prosecution of their studies with such means as they earned themselves during their vacation, or could procure from their friends. This we did hoping to receive a favorable response from the Committee at Memphis.

But it has not yet come. Surely then the appeal comes loud and urgent to us all, that this important object, from love to our Saviour and his cause, shall, not slumber, receive liberal contributions from all our Churches.

The pressing necessities of our young men who need aid also appeal to us for faithful, prompt and liberal action.

The amount contributed since your last meeting is $92.05. and the amount received from this Presbytery by the Committee at Richmond, Va. from May 1st 1873, to May 1st 1874, is $.785. 61.

From this you perceive that the amount asked for the present Collegiate and Theological year is larger by $.389.39. than the sum paid into the general fund, the last year. Can we secure this amount? Is it not an object worthy of a generous and vigorous effort?

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If twenty-four of our forty-eight Churches, would respectively pay $35. twelve of them pay $22. and the remaining twelve pay $16. the requisite amount for this year would be secured.

It is our painful duty to inform you, that the death of Rev. Malcom McNair, a faithful and useful member of this Committee, which occurred July 20th 1874. leaves a vacancy, which you are respectfully requested to fill.

The Committee respectfully offer the following resolutions for the adoption of Presbytery:

Resolved 1st That it be enjoined upon all our Pastors and Stated Supplies, Ruling Elders and Deacons to see to it that collections be taken up for this cause in the month of November, or as soon thereafter as possible, and the amount immediately forwarded to our Treasurer at Fayetteville.

Resolved 2nd That Supplies visiting vacant Churches be requested to remind the Sessions of said Churches of their duty in this matter.

Resolved 3rd That we earnestly request all our Churches and people faithfully to observe the concert of prayer on the last Thursday of February, for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the youth of our Churches and all our Literary and Theological Institutions.

Respectfully submitted.

Hector McLean Chairman.

Concluded.

Evans & Baker added to Com. of Education.

On motion, Rev. Joseph Evans was added to the Committee on Education in place of Rev. M. McNair, deceased, and Rev. Archibald Baker in place of Hector McNeill deceased.

Missions

Foreign Missions.

Presbytery took up the subject of Foreign Missions, postponed this forenoon, when Rev. M. McQueen, Agent, read his report, which was accepted and adopted and is as follows:

It must be gratifying to every friend of our Southern Zion, to see its steady progress in the great work of Foreign Missions. Nine years ago we had no representative in the Foreign field; but to-day we have fifty-one labourers doing good service among the various heathen nations of the earth.

This is wonderful progress for a little church born in the storms of war and nourished in the depths of poverty. It is almost without a parallel in the annals of Missions!

And still the work continues to expand. Last year ten labourers were added to our little band of missionaries, and ten more are called for the current year. To support all these missionaries it is estimated that ten or twelve thousand dollars more will be required than the Churches have contributed any previous year. Will the Churches raise this increased amount? We hope they will.

Owing to the financial stringency the past year, the contributions from the Churches and Sabbath-Schools decreased $1,972.00, although there is an increase of 200 contributing churches. Still from missionary societies, and other sources there has been an increase of $3,565.45. over the previous year. 8 years ago, the Churches of our Presbytery reported $487.75. This year the Churches and Sabbath-Schools report $520.50. an increase of $32.75. over the previous year.

Last year thirty-three of our forty-seven Churches

Fr. Missions. reported contributions to this cause; this year thirty six report contributions - an increase of three contributing churches, leaving eleven non-contributing churches. Of this eleven churches which gave nothing to this cause, only four are vacant, leaving seven churches supplied with the preaching of the Gospel, which fail to give any thing to send the Gospel to the perishing heathen. While it is a matter of encouragement, that notwithstanding the financial stringency of the past year, there was a small increase in the number of contributing churches, and in the whole amount contributed, still it is cause for humiliation and sorrow, that even seven of our churches are enjoying the regular means of grace, but are indifferent to the condition of the condition of the heathen, and the aggregate amount contributed by all our churches does not average 12 cts per member. Respectfully submitted,

Concluded.

M. McLean Agent.

C. A. Monroe. The Committee on Education were directed to prepare and report to Presbytery themes for trial pieces for Mr. C. A. Monroe, one of our candidates.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9. o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, October 2nd 1874.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Trial pieces C. A. M. The Committee to prepare themes for trial pieces for Mr. C. A. Monroe, reported the following which were adopted—

Latin Exegesis - "Luxus peccatum est?"

Critical Exercise - Zachariah 10: 5—12 verses.

Lecture - Psalm 125.

Popular Sermon - 2nd Timothy 3: 16, 17. verses.

Report on Min. G. Ass.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made their report; which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee appointed on the Minutes of the General Assembly, Report, That they have performed the duty assigned them, and would call the attention of Presbytery to answer to Overture No. 4. page 287. Every professing christian ought to contribute according as God has prospered him for the support of the Gospel, and should any habitually fail in this duty and privilege, it is the duty of session to counsel with him and, if need be, faithfully admonish him of his sinful neglect.

Also we call attention to answer of Overture, No. 6. in page 504.

1. Baptized children being according to our Discipline, members of the church, and subject to church government and Constitution, there should be kept by the Session a Register of the names of such persons.

2. Whenever a parent or parents, in full communion with the Church, remove from such Church to another, the Session, in giving the usual certificate of dismission to such parent or parents, shall also, on the face of such certificate, note the names of all their children resident in their families, being baptized members of the Church, and such names shall then be removed from the Register of that Church, and on the presentation of the certificate by the dismissed communicant shall be entered on the Register of the church to which said Communicant may be dismissed.

3. Whenever any baptized child, not a communicant,

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shall remove from the bounds of any church to become, prospectively, a resident within the bounds of another church, such child have reached the years of discretion, shall be furnished by the Session, at his or her request, with a certificate of such relationship, to be transferred to the session of the church, within whose bounds the proposed residence is to be made.

The report of the Executive Committee of Publication, page 529.

5. The General Assembly urges upon all the Presbyteries the work of Colportage – it commends the books of the Committee to the churches and the people; and especially recommends to Pastors and [illegible] for Sabbath-Schools, the books of the Committee suitable for Sabbath School Libraries, and the papers of the Committee – the Children's Friend and Earnest Worker.

6. The Assembly especially calls attention to the new book of "Hymns and Tunes," and recommends its use in all our Churches and families.

The other matters that the Committee would have noticed, have already been acted upon.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. Ferguson.
James McQueen } Committee.
R. W. Cole

Report of Com. to G. Ass.

Rev. A. A. Ferguson reported for himself and Mr. J. A. McAlister, that they attended the Sessions of the last General Assembly as Commissioners; which was accepted.

Paper F.

On motion, paper "F." was taken from the docket and laid on the table.

Report on Sustentation.

The first order of the day for this hour, viz: the Report on Sustentation was taken up, read, accepted and the resolutions adopted seriatim. It is as follows:

Report of the Committee of Sustentation, for the six months ending October 1st 1874.

Your Committee would report as follows:

1st As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the six months ending October 1st 1874, your Treasurer reports 17 churches as contributing to Sustentation $924.15. Compared with corresponding six months in 1873, there is a decrease of one contributing church, and of $84.38.

Appropriations asked for current year, are the same as mentioned in last Spring report.

For Rockingham church to aid in completing building $200.00. This amount was paid last March.

2nd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic Work. For the six months ending October 1st 1874, your Treasurer reports 6 churches as contributing to the Evangelistic Fund $33.50. Receipts to January 1st 1874, this fund was combined with that of Sustentation; but since then, by order of the General Assembly, it has been kept separate.

Appropriations asked for the current year. – For our Licentiate, Kenneth McDonald, appointed Evangelist during summer months, $100.00. This amount has been received and paid to Bro. McDonald, according to Presbyterial order. It may be proper also to state in this connection, that Bro. McDonald had promised him for his services as Evangelist, the following sums

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from vacant churches supplied by him; from Lebanon Church, $28.00; from Sandy Grove, $26.50; from Bethlehem $31.50. Making $76.00. promised by the fields. Of this amount, $43.00. have been paid.

3rd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as Contributed to this fund for six months ending October 1st 1874. by 18 Churches — $72.30.

Upon the corresponding period of six months last year, this shows a decrease of one contributing church and of $55.84.

Appropriations asked for ensuing year from October 1st 1874.

For Mrs John M. Sherrard ——— $50.00.
" Miss Susan Hogshead ——— " 25.00.
" Miss Willie Ann Hogshead ——— " 25.00.
Whole amount asked for but not yet granted — $100.00.

4th As to supplies for vacant churches:

Bethlehem — H. G. Hill 1 Sabbath and Sacrament.
Mizpeh — A. N. Ferguson 1. " " "
Martin Creek — A. McMillan 1. " " "
Lebanon — Archibald Baker 1. " " "
Bethel — Hector McLean 1. " " "
Sandy Grove — N. McKay D.D. 1. " " "
Montpelier — Archibald Baker 1. " " "

For advancing the interests of Sustentation and Evangelistic work in our Presbytery, your Committee would approve for consideration and adoption the following resolutions:

1st Resolved, That Presbytery recommend to its Churches and Ministers, the examination and adoption of the Assembly's Relief Scheme.

2nd Resolved, That Presbytery urges all its Churches to

Sustentation Concluded.

follow the suggestions of the Assembly, for evangelizing the Coloured people, and to contribute annually to the Coloured Evangelistic Fund.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hill. Chairman.

Pending the discussion on the above report, Rev. H. P. Cole of the M. E. Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Evangelist report.

Mr. Hill likewise presented and read the report of Mr. K. McDonald, our evangelist, which shows that he performed the work to which he was appointed.

This report was accepted.

Presbytery took a recess of five minutes to meet in the Academy.

Leave of absence.

After recess Presbytery met, when Rev. H. McLean and Maj. J. McNeill and Mr. M. Dalrymple obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Presbytery.

Presbytery then took recess until 2. o'Clock P.M. to meet in the Church.

Leave of absence.

After recess Presbytery met. Dougald C. Shaw obtained leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Presbytery.

Coloured congregation near Church.

The following paper was adopted: Rev. K. M. McIntyre having called the attention of Presbytery to a Coloured congregation near Jackson Springs in his charge, ministered to in part by a Coloured man, Presbytery appointed Rev. K. M. McIntyre and Rev. M. McQueen, a Committee to counsel with and advise this congregation and their supply, and encourage him to secure an Education.

Publications.

Publications:

Rev. David Fairley, Agent for Publications, presented his

Publication. report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:-

There is cause for devout gratitude to God, that the Executive Committee of Publication of our Church has been enabled to accomplish so much. The divine favour has been manifest in all its history. Taking into consideration the discouraging circumstances under which it commenced operations, and its limited capital since, it has indeed accomplished wonders. And notwithstanding the unexampled commercial depression which has crippled almost every department of business during the past year, it has gone forth in its course of usefulness without serious reverse or disaster.

Its publications are finding their way into thousands of families, and are exerting a wholesome moral and religious influence upon all classes. In our own bounds, the labours of Mr. C. A. Munroe in disseminating these books, notwithstanding the tightness of the times, were attended with considerable success.

But while we are thus encouraged, there are still exigencies to be met, which would render the Committee much more efficient. The Publication House is still in a large measure unpaid for. The Endowment Fund is also incomplete. It is impossible for the Committee to accomplish the work which the Church calls upon it to do, until it has a place in which to work, and a capital with which to operate. Therefore-

Resolved 1st That all our churches be directed to comply with the order of the last General Assembly, "to make collections for the Publishing House Fund

Publication "on the first Sabbaths of December next."

Resolved 2nd. That the Presbytery re-employ, on the same terms as formerly, Mr. C. A. Munroe a Colporteur, during his next vacation, provided the requisite annual be raised.

Resolved 3rd That each church session within our bounds be directed to make collections for Colportage work at their earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted

David Fairley. Agent.

Concluded.

C. A. Munroe, report. Mr. Fairley likewise presented the report of our Colporteur, Mr. C. A. Munroe, which was approved and his diligence commended.

Narrative. Narrative:-

Narrative of state of Religion from the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the Synod of North Carolina; which was accepted and adopted:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville in making its annual report to the Synod of North Carolina, on the state of Religion within its bounds, would record its gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the watchful care He has extended to its members and churches, and for the measure of success that He has been pleased to bestow upon their efforts.

From thirty two of our forty-eight churches we have tidings at this meeting, and generally such as are encouraging. Yet there are many things that occasion sorrow. Among the matters of encouragement we mention First That forty-four of our forty-eight churches have

Narrative steadily enjoyed the means of grace.

Second, That additions from one to more than one hundred are reported from nearly all our charges, so that the aggregate increase is gratifying. From several of our Churches we receive news of gracious outpourings of the Spirit, resulting in one case of more than a hundred souls – in another of forty, – and in others of less numbers.

Third, That the graces of God's children have been developed, of which we have evidence in their increased activity and usefulness in Sabbath-schools and prayer-meetings, in the adoption by so many of the churches of systematic giving, thus worshipping God with their substance every time public worship is held, & in other things.

Fourth, We mention also, that in most of our churches, renewed interest is felt in Sabbath-Schools, and in the religious culture of the young; and that in many of our churches young men have associated themselves together for Christian development, and are thus trained to take an active part in deeds of Christian benevolence, in Sunday-School work, in the social prayer meeting, and in leading the devotions of God's people in public prayer.

Fifth, We further mention with a special pleasure that the coloured people of our charges have not been forgotten in the ministrations of our Pastors and Supplies. In several of our churches, Sabbath-Schools for their instruction are conducted under the care of the session, which are very encouraging; and, in addition, special religious services are held by our Ministers

Narrative. for them. It is gratifying to report that many have united with our Church during the year.

Sixth, One more matter of interest worthy of mention is the earnest and diligent efforts of our ministers to overtake our destitutions and to minister to our adjoining neglected territory. In this work there has been much reason for encouragement and gratitude.

On the other hand, Presbytery reports with sorrow the removal by death of an efficient labourer, beloved and lamented.

Many of our churches are so small in numbers, or so feeble in resources as to compel them to be grouped in large pastorates, entailing great labor upon the ministers, and yet supplying the churches with preaching, in some instances, only once a month. Yet even amidst such trying circumstances, there are pleasing evidences that their work is not in vain.

We have also to mention, that while some of our Churches contribute weekly or regularly to the Lord's Treasury, many disregard the divine Command; "Honour the Lord with thy substance;" and hence are lean and straitened. Though the year has been one of unusual financial stringency, and the ability of our people has not been so great, yet we are painfully aware that we have not done what we could. We trust, however, that there is more generally an interest in Systematic Beneficence.

We fear, too, that family religion is not so well observed as it should be, though in this we have reason to hope that there is and will be improvement.

Narrative. Taking a survey of our whole field, we rejoice to report a gradual advance in labours and usefulness, in material contributions, and in spiritual growth and vigor.

"We will rejoice in Thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners."

Conclusion. May the Lord fulfil all our petitions.

Wm. S. Lacy, Chairman.

Treas.' Report. The Treasurer's Report.

The Stated Clerk presented and read the Treasurer's Report, which was approved and ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

Systematic Beneficence. The report on Systematic Beneficence was approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, on Systematic Beneficence, that from October 1st 1873, to September 15th 1874, the following sums have been collected, viz:

27	Churches	have contributed	to Invalid Fund	—	$1,149.43.
40.	"	"	" Education	—	" 440.39.
39.	"	"	" Sustentation	---	" 298.00.
28.	"	"	" Publication	—	" 214.93.
43.	"	"	" Foreign Missions	—	" 356.89.
23.	"	"	" Evangelistic Fund	-	" 178.36.
9.	"	"	" Colportage	—	" 55.53.
1.	"	"	" Publication House.		7.81.
			Total	----------	$1,711.53.

We report an increase both in contributing churches and in the amount of contributions.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Statistical Report. Statistical Report.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present, they consist of 18 ministers, and have under their care one Licentiate, 48 Churches and seven Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 31st day of October 1873, they dismissed Mr. James A. Smith, a Licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Savannah; that on the 15th day of April 1874, they dismissed Mr. David S. McAlister, a Licentiate under our care, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Harmony; that on the same day they received under their care the recently organized church of Shiloh; that on the 17th day of April 1874, they licensed Mr. Kenneth McDonald to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 23rd day of May 1874, they installed Rev. Wm. S. Lacy Pastor of Buffalo Church; that on the 30th day of May 1874, they installed him Pastor of Euphronia Church; that on the 3rd day of June 1874, they installed Rev. Joseph Evans Pastor of Big-Rockfish Church; that on the 10th day of June 1874, they installed him Pastor of St. Paul's Church; that on the 20th day of July 1874, they lost by death Rev. Malcom McNair; and that the next stated meeting of Presbytery will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Rockingham, Richmond County N. C. on Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1875, at 7 o'clock P. M. Respectfully submitted

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Carthage.

Report of Treas. pro tem.

Rev. Joseph Evans, Treasurer pro tem. presented his report, and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to the Treasurer.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of Thanks:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Presbytery are due, and are hereby tendered to the Carthage Church, for their courteous and liberal hospitality to the members of Presbytery during its present sessions; and that their Pastor, Rev. Martin McLean, read this resolution from the pulpit; and also to the Methodist and Baptist Churches for their kindness in tendering to us the use of their church buildings.

Revision of Assessment. Committee.

Revision of Assessment:

A Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs Hall, McPherson, DeNeaux, and B. Feller, were appointed to investigate the indebtedness of Presbytery, and to revise the Assessment on our Churches; and that said Committee report at our adjourned meeting to be held during the sessions of Synod.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Concord, N. C. during the sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator. Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson
Stated Clerk.

First Adjourned Meeting.

Concord, N.C. October 16th 1874.

Adjourned meeting.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator & was opened with prayer.

Present.

Present:- Ministers - J. P. McPherson, Joseph Evans, H. C. Hall, David Fairley, T. L. DeNeaux and Wm S. Lacy.

Ruling Elders - M. McL. McKay, Fayetteville and L. A. McLean Big Rockfish.

L. A. McLean received.

Mr. Laughlin A. McLean was introduced to Presbytery as a Candidate for the holy Ministry, and after sustaining a satisfactory examination on personal piety and his motives in seeking the Ministry, he was taken under the care of Presbytery and recommended to the Committee on Education.

Presbytery took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

October 17th 1874.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator.

The Committee appointed to report on the indebtedness of Presbytery stated that they were not prepared to report at this time. Presbytery then Resolved to hold an adjourned meeting in the Lecture Room of the Presbyterian Church, Fayetteville, N.C. on Friday, November 6th 1874, at 10, o'clock A.M. The Minutes were read and approved.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Fayetteville.

Second adjourned meeting.

Lecture Room, Presbyterian Church;

Fayetteville N.C. November 6th 1874.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Wm S. Lacy, the last Moderator present.

Present.

Present - Ministers - J. P. McPherson, H. G. Hill, T. L. DeVenne and William S. Lacy.

Ruling Elder - George L. McKay, Bethlehem Church.

On motion, Presbytery took a recess for twenty minutes to meet in the office of Mr. John D. Williams.

After recess Presbytery met.

Report on Assessment.

The Committee appointed to investigate the indebtedness of the Presbytery, and to revise the assessment on the Churches for the Presbyterial Fund, submitted their report, which was accepted, adopted and ordered to be published in the North Carolina Presbyterian. It is as follows:-

Amount needed.

After a careful examination they find that the following amounts will be needed each year, viz:

Two Commissioners to the General Assembly	$125.00.
Annual Assessment of the General Assembly	50.00.
Annual Assessment of Synod	80.00.
Four Trustees of Davidson College	50.00.
Printing the Minutes twice a year	110.00
Salary of Stated Clerk and stationery	55.00.
Salary of Treasurer and Stationery	55.00
Amount annually needed	$525.00.

Indebtedness.

The further report the Presbyterial Fund overdrawn and now due to the Benevolent Fund $143.13.

Due Rev. T. L. DeVenne for printing last Minutes 43.50.

This year's Assessment of Synod, now due 80.00.

Deficit to be met $266.63.

To meet the annual expenses of Presbytery they recommend the following assessment on our Churches, viz:

Roll of Churches with assessment.

Antioch	$15.00.	Lumber Bridge	$10.00
Ashpole	" 35.00.	Lumberton	" 10.00.
Barbecue	" 12.00.	McPherson's	" 10.00.
Bethlehem	" 3.00.	Marks Creek	" 3.00.
Bethel	" 12.00.	Macedonia	" 5.00.
Bethesda	" 12.00.	Mizpah	" 2.00.
Ben Salem	" 10.00.	Mineral Spring	" 10.00.
Bluff	" 16.00.	Montpelier	" 3.00.
Big Rockfish	" 10.00.	Mt. Carmel	" 5.00.
Buffalo	" 30.00.	Mt. Pisgah	" 6.00.
Carthage	" 15.00.	Mt. Tabor	" 5.00.
Centre	" 30.00.	Pee Dee	" 10.00.
China Grove	" 10.00.	Philadelphus	" 15.00.
Cypress	" 8.00.	Rockingham	" 5.00.
Euphronia	" 12.00.	Salem	" 5.00.
Fayetteville	32.00.	Sardis	" 12.00.
Flat Branch	3.00.	Sandy Grove	" 10.00.
Galatia	" 15.00.	Sharon	" 6.00.
Harmony	" 5.00.	Smyrna	" 16.00.
Ivna	" 10.00.	St. Paul's	" 18.00.
Laurel Hill	20.00.	St. Andrew's	" 6.00.
Laurinburgh	10.00.	Shiloh	" 8.00
Lebanon	5.00.	Tirza	" 12.00.
Long Street	10.00.	Union	" 24.00.
		Whole amount assessed	$556.00.

Order to pay one half.

The Committee recommend that the Presbytery direct all its Churches to pay immediately an amount equal to one-half of their annual assessment to meet the debt of $266.63, now

Fayetteville.

Concluded.

due, while they also pay the full amount of the new assessment by the 1st of April 1875, to defray the regular expenses of Presbytery.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hall
J. McPherson } Committee.
T. L. DeVenoe.

Delinquent Churches.

The Presbytery further ordered their Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, to write immediately to all the Churches which are delinquent to the Presbyterial Fund, and urge them to pay their present indebtedness.

Blanks to be ordered.

On motion, it was Resolved, that as the General Assembly has made some changes in the form of the Statistical Reports furnished by the Presbyteries to that body, the Stated Clerk be instructed to procure from our Publication Committee a sufficient number of new statistical blanks, embodying the changes needed, for the Sessional Reports to Presbytery next Spring, and to forward a copy of the blank to each Church Session.

300 Copies of the Minutes were ordered to be printed.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in the Presbyterian Church, Rockingham, Richmond County, N.C. on Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1875. at 7 o'clock P.M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Church, Rockingham, Richmond County, N. C., on Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1875, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Foreign Missions.—Antioch, $10; Bluff, 12 66; Big Rockfish, 4 30; Buffalo, 35 50; Bethesda, 17 70; Centre, 15 00; Euphronia, 15 30; Flat Branch, 3 11; Galatia, 11 60; Harmony, 3 00; Iona, $1; Longstreet, $10; Laurel Hill; $13; Laurinburgh, 4 32; Lumberton, 6 20; Lumber Bridge, 6 72; Montpelier, $1; Miscellaneous, $3; Mt. Tabor, 2 50; Mt. Carmel, $3; McPherson's, 13 75; Pee Dee, 12 50; Philadelphus, 7 30; Rockingham, $3; Sandy Grove, 2 55; Sherwood $9; Salem, $2; St. Paul's 12 50; St. Andrew's, 5 00; Tirza, 3 00; Union 8 00. Total $264 51.

Education.—Buffalo, 15 00; Euphronia, 15 00; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 10 00; Laurinburgh, 4 32; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Carmel, 1 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Sardis, 15 23; Sharon, 2 50; St. Andrew's, 4 00; Union 20 00. Total $92 05.

Publication.—Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 5 87; Laurinburgh, 4 32; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Carmel, 2 00; Pee Dee, 4 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Salem, 7 68; Sardis, 1 20; Union 2 00. Total $32 07.

Sustentation.—Barbecue, 2 00; Big Rockfish, 4 80; Centre, 25 00; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 5 00; Laurinburgh, 4 32; Lebanon, 3 20; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Tabor, 1 00; Pee Dee, 3 00; Rockingham, 4 30; Sandy Grove, 1 85; Salem, 6 00; Sardis 19 43; Sharon, 1 25; Tirza, 3 00; Union, 8 00. Total $94 15.

Disabled Ministers.—Bethlehem, 7 24; Bluff, 6 80; Buffalo, 11 19; Centre, 3 00; Euphronia, 10 12; Galatia, 6 16; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 3 00; Laurinburgh, 4 34; Lumberton, 5 10; Lumber Bridge 7 80; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Carmel, 2 15; Pee Dee, 5 10; Philadelphus, 6 25; Rockingham, 2 00; Union 5 05. Total $87 30.

Evangelist.—Longstreet, 3 00; Lumber Bridge, 3 80, Lebanon, 11 00; St. Andrew's, 3 50. Total $21 30.

Colportage.—Bluff, 5 50; Buffalo, 8 75; Fayetteville, 13 52; Galatia, 4 31; Laurel Hill, 9 10; McPherson's, 7 55; Philadelphus, 3 30; Sandy Grove 1 45; Smyrna, 2 10. Total $55 58.

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Sabbath in April 1875, at 7 o'clock P. M.
Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Presbyterial Fund.—Bethel, 7 20; Bethlehem, 3 00; Barbecue, 10 00; Bluff, 14 00; Big Rockfish, 10 00; Ben-Salem, 8 00; Bethesda, 10 00; Carthage, 12 00; Centre, 20 00; Euphronia, 10 00; Flat Branch, 3 00; Iona, 6 00; Longstreet, 8 00; Laurel Hill, 18 00; Laurinburgh, 8 00; Lumber Bridge, 8 00; Macedonia, 6 00; Montpelier, 5 00; Mt. Tabor, 5 00; Mt. Carmel, 4 00; Pee Dee, 10 00; Rockingham, 3 00; Sandy Grove, 11 40; Sardis, 9 27; Sharon, 5 00; Symrna, 12 00; St. Paul's, 15 00; St. Andrew's, 6 00; Tirza, 10; Union, 20 00. Total $276 87.

Total income from all sources $931 64.

DR—CASH.

To cash on hand April 1, 1874	$ 708 24
Sundries	931 64
	$1,639 88

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By Presbyterial	$ 377 15
Sustentation	230 89
Evangelist	224 34
Balance	807 50
	$1,639 88

The above account examined and found correct.

D. A. RAY.
S. T. HAWLEY.

Fayetteville, N. C., Sept. 29, 1874.

On hand for Sustentation	$ 94 15	
" " " Colportage	55 67	
" " " Evangelist	7 30	
" " " Disabled Ministers	89 77	
" " " Publication	334 30	Remitted since 15th instant.
" " " Education	103 96	
" " " Foreigh Missions	355 69	
Overdawn Presbyterial Fund	$203 73	

Assessment due for 1874.—Mineral Spring, 8 00; Mark's Creek, 2 00; Harmony, 5 00; Bethesda, 10 00; Salem, 3 00; Philadelphus, 10 00; Mt. Pisgah, 3 00; Laurel Hill, (paid 1873,) 18 00; Cypress 8 00; Iona, balance, 2 00; Sardis, balance, 72 cents; Sharon, balance, 1 00; Sandy Grove, balance, 4 60; Lebanon, 5 00; Fayetteville, 30 00; Bethel, balance, 2 80; Antioch, balance, 2 50.

[A portion of the above has been paid since Presbytery.—*Stated Clerk.*]

[The report of Treasurer *pro tem.* has not been placed in my hands.]

Examined & approved as far as written,
Greensboro, N. C, Oct. 15th 1875
P. H. Dalton Moder

Rockingham, N.C.

One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Session.

Rockingham, Richmond County, N.C.

April 21st, 1875.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. William S. Lacy, from Mark 13:34. "For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch" — Especially the closing "and to every man his work."

Text.

Constituted.

The Presbytery was then constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. David Fairley.

Present.

Present:

Ministers — H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, Archibald Baker, D. D. McBryde, Martin McLaurin, Joseph Evans, Archibald McLean, H. G. Heile, David Fairley, A. S. Ferguson and William S. Lacy.

Churches represented — Antioch, H. H. Hodgin; Ashpole, J. S. McArthur; Buffalo, N. H. McLean; Centre, T. T. Smith; Flat Branch, Hugh Black; Iona, N. J. Thompson; Laurinburgh, M. Calhoun; Liberty, A. S. Baker; Lumber Bridge, Hector McEachin; Lumberton, J. A. McAlister, and Rockingham, A. M. McAuley.

Absent.

Absent:

Ministers — A. McKay D.D., A. McMillan, James McLaurin, A. T. Bowden, J. H. Cobb, T. L. DeVeau & H. M. McIntyre.

Churches not represented — Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Bethesda, Big Salem, Bluff, Big Rockfish, Carthage, ~~Chinquapin~~ Grove, Cypress, Fayetteville, Galatia, Harmony, Laurel Hill, Long Street, McPherson's, Mark's Creek, Macedonia,

Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Thyatira, Tirza and Union.

Moderator & Clerks.

Rev. H. G. Heile was chosen Moderator, and J. A. McAlister & Hector McEachin, Temporary Clerks.

Closed with prayer.

Second day.

Thursday Morning April 22nd 1875.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of last night were read and approved.

On motion, the Minutes of the adjourned meeting held at Fayetteville, N.C. November 6th 1874, were read.

Rev. J. McLaurin, & J. D. McNeill.

Rev. James McLaurin appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness; and also Mr. J. D. McNeill, Ruling Elder of Galatia Church.

D. D. McB. & A. McLaurin.

Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde and Archibald McLaurin rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from last Sessions of Presbytery.

Churches Represented.

The following churches reported that they had appointed representatives to the last fall meeting, viz: Bluff, Centre, China Grove & Cypress, Euphronia, Flat Branch, Fayetteville, Galatia, Iona, Laurinburgh, Long-Street, Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, Philadelphus, Rockingham, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's and Tirza.

R. Es. appear.

The following Ruling Elders appeared, rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness and were enrolled, viz: Neill Graham, Bethesda; and D. K. McDuffie, Sandy Grove.

Rev. T. W. Guthrie.

Rev. T. W. Guthrie, of the Methodist E. Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Committees Announced.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

On Religious Exercises — Rev. Messrs A. S. Ferguson and Archibald Baker, with Ruling Elder A. McAuley.

Continued. On Minutes of Synod – Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde and M. McLean, with Ruling Elder, M. H. McIver.

Narrative to General Assembly – Rev. Messrs William S. Lacy and Joseph Evans, with Ruling Elder J. A. McAlister.

On Sessional Records – Antioch, Ashpole, Barbaree, Bethlehem, Bethel & Bethesda; J. H. Cobb & Neill Graham.

Ben-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage and Centre – Hector McLean and J. S. McArthur.

China Grove, Cypress, Cashmere, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, and Galatia, Archibald McLean and P. P. Smith.

Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Laurinburgh, Lebanon and ~~Longstreet~~ – H. M. McIntyre and Hugh Black.

Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, McPherson's, Marks Creek, Macedonia and Mizpah – James McLean and N. J. Thompson.

Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor and Tar-Dee – David Fairley and A. S. Baker.

Philadelphus, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove and Shoaw – M. McLean and M. Calhoun.

Smyrna, St. Andrew's, Shoaw, St. Paul's, Terra and Union – Rev. Neill McKay D.D. and H. McEachern.

Orders of the day.

Orders of the day;

On motion, it was made the first order of the day for this afternoon, to hear Sessional Reports on the State of Religion; for 10. O'clock to-morrow morning, to hear Prof. J. R. Blake on the interests of Davidson College; for to-morrow night, to hear the Report of Rev. M. McLean, Agent on Foreign Missions; the second order of the day for to-morrow morning, to hear the Report of the Committee of Education; the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon, to hear the Report of the

Continued. Committee of Sustentation, and the second order, the Report of Rev. D. Fairley, Agent of Publication and Colportage.

Supplies. Ministers appointed to supply vacant Churches reported, when it appeared that the duty had been generally performed.

Report on Ass. plan for Commissioners &c. The Committee appointed last fall to report on the Assembly's plan for raising the Commissioners and Contingent Fund, submitted their report, which was adopted, viz:

The Committee appointed to consider the printed circular of the last Assembly in regard to raising its Commissioners and Contingent Fund by a capitation tax of ten cents per member, would report as follows: The Presbytery of Fayetteville overtures the Assembly to rescind its action as to raising its Contingent Fund by a per capita assessment, to remit the payment of Commissioners expenses to the Presbyteries sending them; and to increase its annual assessments upon the stronger Presbyteries, so as to provide a larger amount for aiding those that are more feeble, in defraying the expenses of their delegates.

Respectfully submitted, H. G. Hill Chairman.

Overture to the Ass.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to forward an attested copy of the above overture to the General Assembly.

Report accepted & again referred. The Committee to whom was referred last fall, the Assembly's plan for increasing Contributions and systematic Beneficence, submitted their Report, which was accepted, and after some discussion, again referred to the same Committee.

D. McDiarmid. Mr. David McDiarmid, Ruling Elder from Bethel Church, appeared, assigned a satisfactory reason for tardiness and was enrolled.

L. Ex. M. referred. The Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. Daniel A. McRae

were referred to the Committee on Latin and Greek.

Popular Sermon. The popular sermon of Mr. McRae was made the third order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Call from Iona. A Call from Iona Church for the pastoral services of Rev. Archibald McLean for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $250.00 per annum, was read; whereupon, the original Call

Call from Ashpole Changed. from Ashpole Church for the whole of his time was changed by the consent of the parties, so that Ashpole takes three-fourths of his time on a salary of $750.00.

Placed in his hands & accepted. The Call from Iona Church was then placed in his hands & duly accepted, and the following arrangements were made for his

Installation. installation on Saturday before the second Sabbath in August 1875. viz: Rev. A. McLean to preach the sermon, preside and propose the constitutional questions; Rev. Archibald Baker to charge the Pastor, and Rev. A. A. Ferguson to charge the people.

Report of Treas. C. A. McMillan. The Report of the Treasurer, Mr. C. A. McMillan, was presented by the Stated Clerk, and referred to Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde and Joseph Evans and J. A. McAlister; and the said Committee were likewise instructed to consider the present financial system of Presbytery.

Rev. J. Wheeler. Rev. Joseph Wheeler of the Methodist E. Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Place & time of next meeting. Presbytery proceeded to select the place and fix the time for holding our fall sessions; when Euphronia Church, Moore County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Friday

Euphronia. before the last Sabbath in September (24th) 1875, at 12 o'clock M. as the time.

Account to be paid. The Stated Clerk presented the account of the North Carolina Presbyterian Publishing Company for printing

and mailing the Minutes last fall, amounting to $49.81. and the Stated Clerk was directed to give an order on the Treasurer pro tem. for the payment of said account.

Recess. Presbytery took recess until half past two o'clock P.M.

After recess Presbytery met and took up the order of the

Statistical Reports. day for this hour, when Statistical Reports from Church Sessions were read and referred to the Committee on the Statistics.

Rev. A. McM. M. Rev. A. McMillan appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and also for absence from the last Presbytery.

R. Es. appear. The following Ruling Elders also appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: Duncan Belkins, McFarland; Murdoch Morrison, Laurel Hill; James Stewart, Smyrna; Allen McDonald, Bon Salem; W. A. Stewart, Mt. Carmel and L. C. McKinnon, Mineral Spring.

Complaint. Referred. A Complaint of one member of the Session of Galatia Church against the action of a majority of that Session, was, on motion, referred to a special Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, H. McLean & Dr. John Shaw.

Call from L. Hill for Rev. A. A. Ferguson. A Call from Laurel Hill Church for the pastoral services of Rev. Angus A. Ferguson for one half of his time on a salary of $400.00 per annum, was read, and being found in order, was placed in his hands, Mr. Ferguson having signified his acceptance of said Call, arrangements were made for his installation on Saturday before the 5th Sabbath in May 1875, viz: Rev. Archibald McLean to preach, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; Rev. J. H. Coble to charge the Pastor & Rev. A. McM. Millan the people.

To the Ext. Commissioners. It was made the order of the day for half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, to elect Commissioners to the General Assembly

Supplies granted.

Sharon Church obtained permission to employ Rev. Joseph Evans the forenoon of every third Sabbath, on a salary of $250.00 Mt. Tabor the afternoon of every third Sabbath. Laurinburgh to employ Rev. J. H. Coble one half of his time on a salary of $500.00. Smyrna to employ Rev. R. A. Ferguson one half of his time on a salary of $400.00. Lumber Bridge to employ Rev. J. P. McPherson one third of his time on a salary of $266.66.

L.W. Currie.

Mr. L.W. Currie, a licentiate of the Presbytery of Montgomery, West Virginia, was granted permission to labour within the bounds of this Presbytery during the present year.

Groups of Churches.

The Committee to visit groups of Churches reported as follow:

1st District - visited St. Andrews and Carthage.
2nd " nothing done.
3rd " Sardis, Bluff and Fayetteville.
4th " Nothing done.
5th " Galatia, Sandy Grove and McPherson's.
6th " Laurinburgh and Smyrna.
7th " Montpelier, Lumber Bridge, Antioch, Mt. Tabor & St. Paul's.
8th " Ashpole and Lumberton.

Rev. H. M. McIntyre.

Rev. H. M. McIntyre appeared in Presbytery and assigned a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, April 23rd 1875.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read & approved.

Union of M.E. Church.

The case of the Methodist Church in this town was considered by its Pastor; whereupon the courtesy was duly

acknowledged and the matter referred to the Committee on Religious exercises.

Treas. pro tem.

Rev. David Fairley was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Commissioners elected.

Presbytery took up the order of the day for this hour, when Rev. H. G. Hill was appointed Commissioner to the General Assembly to meet in St. Louis, Mo. and Rev. H. M. McIntyre, alternate. Capt. James D. McLeod, Ruling Elder of Carthage Church, was appointed Principal, and Dr. John Shaw, Ruling Elder of Bowe Church, Alternate.

Sessional Records approved.

The following sessional records were approved - Lumberton, Lumber Bridge, Bow Salem, Bethesda, Buffalo, Carthage, Sandy Grove, Philadelphus, Sardis, Rockingham, Laurinburgh, Laurel Hill, Iona, Fayetteville, Euphronia, Flat Branch, China Grove, Antioch, Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethel, Union, Smyrna, and the following with exceptions, Harmony, Galatia and St. Paul's.

Prof. J.R. Blake. D. College.

The hour for the order of the day, viz; to hear Prof. J. R. Blake on the interests of Davidson College, having arrived, he addressed Presbytery, presenting some most interesting and pleasing facts in regard to that Institution.

Subsequently the following paper was adopted, viz;

Resolution adopted.

Resolved, That this Presbytery have heard with great pleasure the address of Prof. J. R. Blake, concerning the interests of of Davidson College, and hereby express their gratitude to God for the signal favours He hath shown this beloved Institution, for the work it has accomplished for the Church, for its present usefulness and future prospects, and pray for His continued protection and blessing.

Order suspended.

On motion the order of the day, viz; to hear the Report of the

Trial Sermon of D. A. McRae.

Committee of Education, was suspended, when Presbytery proceeded to hear the popular sermon of Mr. Daniel A. McRae, on the text previously assigned, 1. Peter 1:23.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess until 3.0 o'clock P. M.

After recess Presbytery met and took up the order of the day for this hour, when Rev. H. G. Hiatt, Chairman, read the Report on Sustentation, which was adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Report on Sustentation.

The Sustentation Committee would report as follows, for the ecclesiastical year ending April 1st 1875:

1st As to Ministerial Support. We have 18 ordained Ministers and one Licentiate. Four of our Ministers live in part by secular pursuits. We have two Pastorates that are probably unable to give salaries of $800. The average of the salaries promised our laboring Ministers, outside the town of Fayetteville, is $800.

During the past year, on account of financial stringency among our people, many of our Ministers have had their salaries partially and irregularly paid.

2nd. As to Contributions and appropriations for Sustentation.- During the ecclesiastical year, your Treasurer reports 33 churches as contributing to Sustentation $312.18. This is an increase for this object, upon the previous year of one contributing church, but a decrease in amount of $66.94. Fifteen churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year.

For the current year no appropriations have been asked from the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation. Should Presbytery, however, at this meeting employ some one to take charge of vacant churches, some aid might be had from the general fund.

3rd.- As to Contributions & appropriations to Evangelistic work.

Report Continued.

For the ecclesiastical year, your Treasurer reports 22 churches as contributing to the General Evangelistic fund $179.28. During the same period he reports two churches as contributing for Licentiate L. W. Currie $14.80. The whole amount reported as contributed for Evangelistic work $194.08.

As stated in our last report at the fall meeting of Presbytery, our Licentiate, Kennedy McDonald, appointed Evangelist for the summer months, received from the Assembly's fund $100.00. and had promised by the churches supplied $76.00. Of the last named amount $43. were paid last fall. For the current year, no appropriations have been asked from the Assembly's Evangelistic Fund, and your Committee does not see the way clear to recommend the appointment of an Evangelist.

4th As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year by 30 churches $197.81. As compared with the previous year, this shows an increase of four contributing churches; but a decrease in amount of $8.40. Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund:

For Mrs John M. Sherrod	$50.00.
" Miss Susan Hogshead	" 25.00.
" Miss Willie Ann Hogshead	25.00
Whole amount	$100.00.

This sum has been fully paid for the current year ending July 1st 1875.

5th As to supplies for vacant churches.

Bethlehem - D. D. McBryde one Sabbath and sacrament.
Mizpah - A. N. Ferguson " " " "
Mark's Creek - A. McMillan " " " "
Sharon - Archibald Baker " " " "
Lumberton - Archibald McQueen " " " "

Sandy Grove – David Fairley on Sabbath and Sacrament.
Rockingham, – A. N. Ferguson " " " "
Flat Branch – Nath. McKay D.D. " " " "

Though, owing to business depression, our contributions to Sustentation, Evangelistic work, and the Invalid Fund, have somewhat decreased during the past year, yet it is a matter of thankfulness that we have contributed $77. more to the Invalid Fund than we have received from it, and that by uniting our more feeble Churches in supporting one pastor, we have raised the standard of Ministerial support, and maintained Gospel ordinances within our bounds without requiring any help from the Sustentation Fund of the Assembly.

Report on Sustentation Concluded.

The same policy of grouping weak Churches so as to form self-sustaining charges should, in our judgment, be pursued by Presbytery as far as practicable.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hetts Chairman.

R. Es. appear.

Ruling Elders, William McKay, of Sharon Church, and Daniel Currie, of Mark's Creek Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Report on Publication.

The second order of the day for this afternoon being the report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage, it was taken up, read, amended and adopted: —

During the past year 24 of the Churches under our jurisdiction have contributed to the cause of Publication $78.85. The remaining 24 have done nothing. For the Publishing House 7 Churches have contributed $56.68. The remaining 41. are reported blank. For Colportage Salary all have contributed $57.53.

Can it be the stringency of the times has disabled 24 Churches from contributing anything to the great cause of Publication during a whole year? Is it possible that 41 Churches are so crippled in their finances that they cannot give one cent to relieve this embarrassed interest of our Church by placing the Committee in a condition to work? Has Colportage no more hold upon our affections than has been manifested? Or rather may it not be that these important matters have been

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neglected for the want of proper advocates? Therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That all our Churches be directed to contribute to the cause of Publication.

Resolved 2nd. That this Presbytery direct all its Churches to take up one annual collection for the Colportage work.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted. D. Fairley. Agent.

Complaint of D. Shaw.

The special Committee to whom was referred the Complaint of one member of the Session of Galatia Church against the action of a majority of that session, submitted their report, which was adopted, viz:

The Committee to whom the Complaint of D. Shaw against the action of the Session of Galatia Church was referred, would report: That they find the complaint in due form, and the notice thereof served in the time specified in our Form of Government, but recommend that said Complaint be not entertained by this body for the following reason, which reason with, it is the unanimous opinion of your Committee, express the sentiment of this body, and will also meet the exigency of the case, viz: The action of the Session of said Church on the 17th of January was nothing more than a proper and necessary deliverance

Report on Complaint.

of the Session against certain irregularities and disorderly and immoral practices of members of Galatia Church.

This action of the Session, which was certainly as lenient as the circumstances of the case would admit of, was met by the offending parties, who plead guilty in the main to the impersonal charges preferred, accompanied with solemn and scriptural admonitions by the Session, and met in a spirit of insubordination. Caucuses were held, secret and unauthorized meetings had, which resulted in the appointment of a Committee, furnished with resolutions disrespectful in their spirit and offensive in their language, demanding the retraction, by the Session, of its deliverance.

Instead of calling those disorderly parties to account for their acknowledged offences, and for an openly manifested spirit of insubordination to the authority of the Great Head of the Church, vested in those to whom He has committed the keys of His Kingdom, there was a move made to adopt the aforementioned paper, which would be virtually surrendering the jurisdiction of Christ's to its disorderly members and allowing them to dictate to the Session in its high and solemn responsibilities, what the sphere and limit of authority should be. For this paper offered by these ~~three~~ ~~gentle~~ individuals claiming to be a Committee from the Congregation a substitute was offered substantially re-affirming the Session's action on the 17th of January, and, at the same time admonishing and exhorting those involved in this matter to strive to avoid all cause of offence, and to live worthily of their high ~~calling~~, which substitute was lost by a direct vote of Session

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While in the judgment of your Committee the failure to adopt the aforesaid substitute may have been unwise, yet inasmuch as the Session did not rescind its action of January 17th — inasmuch as they did not adopt the paper presented to them by the complaining members of Galatia Church — inasmuch as the Session did on the 11th day of April adopt a paper substantially covering the ground of the above-named paper or resolutions lost by vote of Session February 21st against which action of Session the complaint of Mr. D. Shaw, a member of said Session is lodged —

In view of all these facts, your Committee recommend that the complaint of Mr. D. Shaw be not entertained, and that the action of Session had January 17th and April 11th be recorded as required by our Form of Government.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Dr. John Shaw
H. McLean
D. D. McBryde
} Committee.

The Records of Big-Rockfish were approved.

Report on Education.

Education.

The Committee on Education presented their report, which was adopted, and the Committee instructed to apply for the usual appropriations for our Theological Candidates:

Your Committee respectfully report; that there are now eight candidates for the Ministry under your care. Six of these, & young men were engaged the past year, in their Theological studies. One is in Davidson College, and one has been teaching & studying, preparing to enter College next September.

Of the appropriations, amounting to $1.175.00. allowed six

Education. of them by the General Assembly's Committee, at Memphis, Tenn., they had only received up to the time reported to us, (March 25.) $68.73.

Kenneth McDonald, Theological Student, Senior Class — $200.00.
Colin A. Munroe " " Middle Class " 85.00.
Angus McDonald " " " " " 85.00.
Daniel A. McRae " " " 75.00.
E. Marshall Munroe " " Junior Class. " 85.00.
Isaac D. Harrell, College Student, Sophomore Class — " 88.75.

William M. McGilvary and Dugald Munroe, who are also Theological Students in the middle Class, and L. A. McLean, who is preparing for College, received no aid through your Committee.

The amount contributed by 36. Churches as reported to us by our Treasurer, for this cause, from April 1st 1874. to April 1st 1875 is $479.34. The principal part of which ($368.04.) was contributed by 28. Churches, from October 1st 1874, to April 1st 1875. He also reports that 10 of our Churches made no contributions the last year for this cause.

The annual amount is in advance of the previous year $8.45, yet is far below the appropriations asked and allowed our young men who need aid, but of which, none except two, received even half of their respective portions, because, doubtless, the Executive Committee had not the funds in the Treasury to furnish them.

The facts are now before you, and your Committee are at a loss what measure to recommend to Presbytery, to secure the requisite means to enable our students to continue their studies. Special Collections have been tried, but have not succeeded well. It is evident our dependent young men cannot spend eight or nine months in a Theological Seminary or College, unless the Churches generally contribute more liberally and promptly, and not become

Education Concluded. seriously embarrassed. Your Committee therefore inquire of Presbytery, shall they make application for the usual appropriations the ensuing Theological and Collegiate year for dependent young men, who believe they are called of God to preach the Gospel, or shall they advise them to teach School, or engage in some other proper business to procure means to enable them to continue their studies at the Theological Seminary or College?

Respectfully submitted

Hector McLean. Chairman.

Treasurer's Report. The Committee appointed upon the Treasurer's Report and the finances of Presbytery, submitted their report, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Treasurer's Report would state that they have examined said report and find the tabular statement audited and found correct. Your Committee find in the balance sheet the following discrepancies, which may result from confusing the account up to April 1st, with funds paid in since that date, viz:

1. The account gives as the amount paid into the Contingent Fund — $455.67.
as paid out — " 504.33.
Which leaves a balance to the credit of the Treasurer of 47.66.
Whereas he claims to have overdrawn this fund to the amount of 57.29.
2. The balance sheet gives as the cash balance in hands of Treasurer $3.64.
Whereas the aggregate of the sums on hand for the different objects of benevolence amounts to 594.13.
the difference of — 100.49.

We therefore recommend — in connection with

Report Continued. the auditing Committee call the attention of the Treasurer to these discrepancies, and have the Error, if any, Corrected.

Your Committee further recommend, that the Treasurer be directed to forward the funds on hand to their respective Committees, and that Presbytery dispense with the office of Treasurer, except in the items of the Contingent, (or Presbyterial) fund; and that the officers of each Church be directed to send the offerings of their Churches directly and immediately to the respective Committees of the General Assembly.

Signed by the Committee.

Concluded. The blank in the above report was filled by the name of Rev. D. D. McBryde.

Report on Ass.'s Plan. The Committee to which you referred the Assembly's Plan for increasing the benevolent contributions of our Church, beg leave to report, recommending Presbytery to adopt the following paper:

1st. We agree with the Assembly's Committee as to the great necessity of increased contributions to our Schemes of Benevolence, and that the cause of this deficit, "is a lamentable want of Co-operation on the part of so many of our Churches and people; not more than half of our Churches, and one-fourth of our people contribute to the various causes of beneficence".

But while we agree with the Committee as to the necessity and cause, still we feel constrained to decline their proposed remedy for the following reasons, viz:

1st. While the Assembly's Committee may not have designed assessing the Churches, still the plan proposed evidently implies an assessment; and this we deem

Report continued. inconsistent with the principles of free and voluntary giving as taught us in the New Testament.

This principle of free and voluntary giving to the Lord is clearly laid down by the Apostle in his second Epistle to the Corinthians 9:7. "Every man, according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver"

In the same connection he says: "If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." From these, and other passages of scripture it is evident that Christians are not to be forced by ecclesiastical power to give definite sums; but they are to give as they purpose in their hearts.

2nd. A second reason for rejecting the proposed plan is, that no Committee raised by the Assembly, however large, could have sufficient knowledge of the pecuniary ability of all our Presbyteries, to enable it to make an equitable distribution of the burden among them. And this inequality would produce dissatisfaction and discord; some would complain of their quota, while few, if any, would strive to rise above the minimum required of them.

3rd. A third reason for rejecting the proposed plan, it would multiply ecclesiastical machinery, and give no impulse to our efforts to raise funds, because it fails to reach our non-contributing churches, the main object to be attained. If these delinquent Churches are not reached by the Visiting Committees of Presbyteries, we cannot see how they will be reached by assessments. Nor do we believe that our experience in apportioning to the Presbyteries their

quota of the Endowment Fund for publication, justifies the hope that it would succeed, if applied to all our Churches of knowledge. Respectfully submitted.

Report

M. McLean
Wm S. Lacy } Committee.
J. D. McIver.

Concluded. The above report was first adopted seriatim and afterwards as a whole.

S. Schools. The Committee on Sabbath Schools submitted their report, which was accepted and again re-committed.

S. Records app.d The following Sessional Records were approved; Mt. Tabor, Mt. Carmel and Mineral Spring.

Minutes of Synod.

Minutes of Synod.

The Committee on the Minutes of Synod, submit the following:

We recommend that the attention of our Churches be called to Resolutions 2 and 3. page 14, viz:

"2. We recommend an increased circulation of the Children's Friend as the very best paper for our youths; and the more general use of the Earnest Worker by teachers and parents, as a most valuable aid in their preparation of mind and heart for teaching.

3rd. We most earnestly urge upon all our Church Sessions to endeavour to sustain at least one Sabbath School in each Church, and to send up a full report of their school, according to the Assembly's plan, to each Spring meeting of their Presbyteries; also to affectionately exhort and excite the children in all their churches and Sabbath Schools to take an intelligent

Minutes of Synod Continued. interest in all our church enterprises, and "to give cheerfully their mites to the service of the blessed Redeemer.

To Resolutions 2nd on page 19, relative to Publication:

"2nd To Resolution 2nd page 521. in reference to Publication, and recommend that the Churches be directed to take up a collection for the Publishing House on the first Sabbath in December, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

And the Ministers and Stated Supplies in all the Churches under charge of Synod be requested to bring the subject of the collection before their respective Churches at some suitable time before the day of collection arrives."

To Resolution on page 21. relative to the Bible cause:

"Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure, Rev. C. K. Wilson, District Superintendent of the American Bible Society in North Carolina, and that we cordially welcome him back to his native State, and commend the society which he represents, and that branch of the Ministry of the Word in which he is engaged, to the earnest Co-operation & liberal support of our Churches and people".

Concluded.

D. D. McBryde Chairman.

This report was accepted and adopted.

Recess. Presbytery took recess until 8.0 clock to-night.

Report on F. Missions. After recess Presbytery met and took up the order of the day for this hour viz; The report of the Agent of Foreign Missions, which was adopted after several Addresses, and is as follows:

Report on Foreign Missions.

Your Agent in presenting his report on this subject, would state that there has been but little change in our

F. Missions. field of Missionary operations, since our last report.

Under the blessings of the Great Head of the Church, progress and success have attended all our efforts to send the Gospel to the perishing heathen. We have now 25 regularly ordained Ministers in the field; in South America 7. in China 5. in Greece 3. among the Indians 9. and Mexico 1. Add to these their male and female helpers, and the number will reach near 70 labourers in the foreign field. All this force has been organized and sent forth in two years. Ours is emphatically a Missionary Church.

Take all the churches in our country, and for every two Ministers they send to the heathen, they retain a hundred at home. We send two to the heathen for every-four we retain in the home field.

But while our little Zion has accomplished so much in ten years, still its progress has been retarded by the want of funds. Owing to the financial stringency last year, there was a decrease in the contributions of the churches, & Sabbath-Schools, and this year closes with a debt hanging over the Treasury, while brethren are ready to carry the glad tidings of salvation to the heathen, but there are no means for their support. Since our last report, 40 of our Churches contributed $399.35. If we add to this $47.62, contributed by our Sabbath Schools, we have an aggregate of $446.97. as the whole amount given to this Cause for the year. This is an increase of four contributing Churches and of $88.97, over what was reported to the last Assembly.

While it is a cause for gratitude and encouragement

F. Missions that more of our churches have contributed this year than ever have before, showing that the obligation to send the Gospel to the perishing heathen is becoming more universally felt and acknowledged. Still it is cause for humility and sorrow, that our 4.573 members only give $446.97. to send the word of life to the millions of their fellow beings who are perishing for the bread of life.

Concluded. M. McLean. Agent.

$28. The collection taken up at the close of these services amounted to $28.00. which was ordered to be transmitted to Columbia.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Saturday Morning, April 24th 1875.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

L. Exegesis & C. Exercise. The Committee on Greek and Latin reported that they had examined the Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercise of Mr. D. A. McRae, and recommended that they be sustained as satisfactory parts of trial, which was adopted.

Sermon Sustained. On motion, the sermon preached on yesterday by Mr. McRae was also sustained.

Treasurer Elected. Election of Treasurer.

Resolved, That while this Presbytery expresses its entire confidence in the integrity and ability of Mr. Charles T. McMillan, late Treasurer of Fayetteville Presbytery, — in view of the fact that the Presbytery has made a change in its financial system, and understanding

that Mr. McMillan does not consent to serve on a reduced salary; and also in view of the fact that Mr. McMillan has no public office and cannot be conveniently found at all times, the Presbytery deems it wise to elect some one else as Treasurer; Therefore

G. P. McNeill elected.

Resolved, That Mr. George P. McNeill be elected to the office of Treasurer for the ensuing year upon a salary of Twenty-Five dollars per annum,

S. Schools.

The Report on Sabbath-Schools was presented & accepted and again re-committed to the same Committee.

B. Faller resigns & Rev. W. S. Lacy appointed.

Mr. B. Faller, through the Stated Clerk, tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-Schools, which was accepted: Whereupon Rev. William S. Lacy was appointed Presbyterial Agent of Sabbath-Schools.

Sketch of Ashpole.

Rev. A. McLean presented and read a historical sketch of Ashpole Church, which was accepted and ordered to be placed on file.

The following resolution was adopted:

Bethesda & Rev. M. McL.

Resolved, That this Presbytery allow Rev. Martin McLean to serve, as Stated Supply for twelve months, the Church of Bethesda, the Churches of Union and Carthage consenting, Each Church to surrender one-eighth part of his time.

Lecture of D. A. McR.

On motion, Presbytery heard the Lecture of Mr. D. A. McRae on the passage previously assigned him, which was sustained.

Hebrew

The Committee on Hebrew reported that they had examined Mr. McRae on that language, and recommended that it be sustained, which was adopted.

Com. on leave of absence.

On motion, Rev. James McLean and Duncan Bethune were appointed a Committee on leave of absence.

Examination Theology & Ch. History.

Presbytery proceeded to examine Mr. D. A. McRae on Theology, Natural and Revealed, and on Church History, which examinations were sustained.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess until after divine service.

Report of Treasurer pro tem.

After recess Presbytery met, when Rev. D. Fairley presented his report as Treasurer pro tem, which was accepted; and he was ordered to transmit the funds in his hands for benevolent objects to the respective Committees; and those belonging to the Presbyterial Fund to Mr. Geo. P. McNeill, the recently elected Treasurer of Presbytery.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess until half past 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. McR. Examined.

After recess Presbytery met, and proceeded to examine Mr. McRae on Church Government, and the Sacraments, which, on motion, was sustained as satisfactory part of trial.

Licensed.

A motion was then made and carried, that the examination of Mr. D. A. McRae be sustained as a whole; after which Presbytery proceeded solemnly to license the Candidate, Mr. Daniel A. McRae, as a probationer for the holy Ministry, a copy of which in due form was presented to him by the Stated Clerk. (See P. of Gen. Ch. M. Sec. 778.)

Drafts on Treasurer.

The following drafts upon the Treasurer were ordered by the Presbytery, viz: Assessment of General Assembly $30.00. Assessment of Synod $40.00. Commissioners to the General Assembly, $62.50. each; Rev. D. D. McBryde $16.00. Expenses as Trustee of Davidson College, and to former Treasurer on present Treasurer for money borrowed from Benevolent Fund to reimburse the present deficit.

Records app.: The Sessional Records of Mark's Creek were approved with an exception.

S. School. The Report on Sabbath Schools was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

[This with the reports of the Treasurer and Treasurer pro. tem., and annual report will appear in the appendix.]

Systematic Beneficence. The Stated Clerk was instructed to prepare the Presbyterial Report on Systematic Beneficence and forward it to the General Assembly.

Narrative to Gen. Ass. The Narrative of the State of Religion was reported by the Committee, and adopted by the Presbytery, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly concerning the state of Religion within its bounds:

A survey of our field presents the usual chequered scene of light and shade, affording reasons for sincere sorrow on account of coldness and short-coming, and also for encouragement & hope. But very few of our churches have been without witness that the Lord is gracious, and from nearly all we have reports of additions to membership, in a few instances, numbered by scores. Yet while some churches have been signally blessed, there has been no general outpouring of the Spirit upon the churches under our care.

We lament the coldness of our people, the lack of spiritual growth and vigour, their want of active and energetic enterprise in the service of the Master.

Our contributions are comparatively meagre, our Ministers not adequately supported, our efforts for the advancement of Christ's kingdom feeble. The aggregate of receipts for all purposes have fallen short, even of the amount given last year. We tremble lest the curse of

Narrative Mercy rest upon us, and we earnestly pray that our Zion may awake, and come to the help of the Lord. Yet we record with gratitude, that while our churches have been too derelict, there has been and there is decided progress. The fact that Zion mourns its low estate is a hopeful sign. Overall as is the aggregate of our contributions, there is an increase in the number of contributing churches, and, we believe, that a deeper interest is taken in the great work of the church in its different departments. The organization of some of our churches has been made more efficient by the addition of godly rulers in the house of God.

Nearly all of our churches are supplied statedly, though some sadly infrequently, with the means of grace.

The pastoral tie has been constituted, and the pastoral relation sought, and it is now sustained by more of our churches, than at any previous period of our history.

Renewed and special interest is felt in the cause of Sabbath-Schools and in religious culture of children. Some attention likewise is paid to the spiritual training of the coloured people with gratifying results.

Upon reviewing the general state of Religion in our bounds we have reason to "thank God and take courage" - with penitence for our unfaithfulness, with humble dependence upon divine grace, we will go in the strength of Lord God.

Concluded.

Wm. S. Lacy
Joseph Evans } Committee.
J. A. McAlister.

Statistical Report to General Assembly:

Statistical Report.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the General Assembly, that, at present, they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their care 48 churches, 2 Licentiates and 7 candidates for the Ministry; that on the 23rd day of May 1874, they installed Rev. William S. Lacy Pastor of Buffalo Church; that on the 30th day of May 1874, they installed him Pastor of Euphronia Church; that on the 3rd day of June 1874, they installed Rev. Joseph Evans Pastor of Big Rockfish Church; that on the 10th day of June 1874, they installed him Pastor of St. Paul's Church; that on the 20th day of July 1874, they lost by death Rev. Malcom McNair, and that on the 24th day of April 1875, they licensed Mr. Daniel A. McRae to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry.

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

This paper was adopted, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the General Assembly.

S. Rules, Manual & Map. The Committee on Standing Rules, Manual and Map made a verbal report, and at their request, were continued.

Report from U. T. Seminary, Va. The Report of the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary, Va. respecting the candidates of this Presbytery was read, and found entirely satisfactory.

Annual Re. to G. Ass. The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, which was accepted and approved and ordered to be forwarded to that body.

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the thanks of the Presbytery of Fayetteville are due and are hereby tendered to the Citizens of Rockingham

Vote of and vicinity, for the generous and elegant hospitality extended

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This paper was adopted, and a copy ordered to be transmitted to the General Assembly.

The Committee on Standing Rules, Manual and Map made a verbal report, and at their request, were continued.

The Report of the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary, Va., respecting the candidates of this Presbytery was read, and found entirely satisfactory.

The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, which was accepted and approved and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Presbytery of Fayetteville are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Rockingham and vicinity, for the generous and eloquent hospitality extended to its members during the Sessions of the body; to the officers of the Methodist Church for the use of their house of worship; and to the authorities of the Carolina Central Railway for the courtesy of reduced fare.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the papers of this town with a request for publication.

The Committee on leave of absence presented a report, which was accepted and adopted and is as follows, viz:

We report, That we have given leave of absence to the following members: A. McQueen, J. S. McArthur, N. J. Thompson, P. P. Smith, A. S. Baker, D. D. McBryde, H. McEachern, D. Fairley, David McDiarmid, N. Graham, D. K. McDuffie, K. M. McIntyre, Jas. Stewart, J. D. McNeill, W. N. Stewart, L. C. McKinnon, M. McQueen, Joseph Evans, H. A. Hodgin, J. A. McAlister, and Hugh Black.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have 300 copies of the Minutes of this Session published, and also a brief abstract published in the *North Carolina Presbyterian*.

The Minutes of to-day's Session were read and approved, after which Presbytery adjourned to meet at Euphronia Church, Moore County, N. C., on Friday before the last Sabbath in September, (24th) 1875, at 12 o'clock, M.

Statistical Report to General Assembly.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Foreign Missions.—Antioch; $10 00; Ashpole, 34 40; Bethel, 5 00; Bluff, 12 66; Buffalo, 35 50; Bethesda, 17 70; Ben-Salem, 4 00; Carthage, 25 00; Centre, 40 00; Cypress, 2 80; Euphronia, 15 30; China Grove, 14 00; Fayetteville, 57 34; Flat Branch, 3 11; Galatia, 11 60; Harmony, 3 00; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 10 00; Laurel Hill, 13 00; Laurinburg, 4 32; Lumberton, 6 20; Lumber Bridge, 6 72; Macedonia, 2 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Pisgah, 3 00; Mt. Tabor, 2 50; McPherson's, 15 75; Mineral Spring, 3 00; Mt. Carmel, 3 00; Pee Dee, 12 50; Philadelphus, 7 30; Rockingham, 11 00; Sardis, 15 82; Salem, 7 00; Sharon, 3 50; Smyrna, 17 10; St. Paul's, 12 50; St. Andrew's, 5 00; Big Rockfish, 4 30; Sandy Grove, 6 55; Sherwood, 9 00; Miscellaneous, 3 00; Tirza, 3 00; Union, 20 00. Total, $500 47.

Education.—Antioch, $5 20; Ashpole, 18 00; Bethel, 10 00; Bluff, 15 50; Buffalo, 36 50; Bethesda, 3 40; Ben-Salem, 1 50; Centre, 45 00; Euphronia, 12 75; China Grove, 14 00; Fayetteville, 54 31; Galatia, 10 08; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 10 00; Laurel Hill, 31 20; Laurinburg, 4 32; Lumberton, 14 50; Lumber Bridge, 8 90; Macedonia, 1 25; Montpelier, 1 00; McPherson s, 16 75; Mineral Spring, 2 50; Mt. Carmel, 1 00; Pee Dee, 7 60; Philadelphus, 3 15; Rockingham, 14 00; Sardis, 41 32; Salem, 6 85; Sharon, 2 50; Smyrna, 11 00; St. Paul's, 15 00; Union, 32 00; St. Andrew's, 10 00; Big Rockfish, 8 00; Sandy Grove, 2 26; Tirza, 7 00. Total, $479 34.

Publication.—Ashpole, $16 00; Bethlehem, 3 60; Bluff, 5 00; Bethesda, 5 60; Ben-Salem, 1 00; China Grove, 14 00; Fayetteville, 45 36; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 5 87; Laurel Hill, 11 00; Laurinburg, 4 32; Macedonia, 1 25; Montpelier, 1 00; McPherson's, 8 01; Mineral Spring, 1 25; Mt. Carmel, 2 00; Pee Dee, 4 00; Philadelphus, 2 35; Rockingham, 3 00; Sardis, 7 68; Salem, 7 50; Sharon, 1 20; Smyrna, 17 00; Union, 9 86. Total, $178 85.

Publication Building.—Bluff, $5 00; Buffalo, 12 00; China Grove, 5 00; Galatia, 3 27; Longstreet, 7 81; Laurel Hill, 14 00; Lumberton, 10 95; Tirza, 3 65. Total, $61 68.

Disabled Ministers.—Antioch, $5 60; Ashpole, 9 00; Bethel, 5 00; Bethlehem, 7 24; Bluff, 15 80; Buffalo, 11 19; Bethesda, 4 55; Ben-Salem, 1 00; Centre, 3 00; Euphronia, 10 12; Fayetteville, 44 70; Galatia, 6 16; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 3 00; Laurinburg, 4 34; Lumberton, 5 10; Lumber Bridge, 7 80; Macedonia, 1 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Mineral Spring, 1 00; Mt. Carmel, 2 15; Pee Dee, 5 10; Philadelphus, 6 25; Rockingham, 2 00; Sardis, 10 07; Sharon, 1 75; St. Paul's, 10 00; Big Rockfish, 7 34; Tirza, 2 50; Union, 5 05. Total, $199 81.

Sustentation.—Antioch, $5 50; Ashpole, 11 00; Bethel, 5 00; Barbacue, 2 00; Bluff, 7 80; Buffalo, 24 00; Bethesda, 5 35; Ben-Salem, 1 50; Centre, 50 00; Euphronia, 8 00; China Grove, 28 00; Fayetteville, 55 03; Iona, 1 00; Longstreet, 5 00; Laurel Hill, 10 10; Laurinburg, 4 32; Lumber Bridge, 4 40; Lebanon, 3 20; Macedonia, 1 00; Montpelier, 1 00; Mt. Tabor, 1 00; Mineral Spring, 1 50; Pee Dee, 6 75; Rockingham, 9 30; Sardis, 19 48; Salem, 6 00; Sharon, 1 25; Smyrna, 8 10; St. Andrew's, 5 00; Big-Rockfish, 4 80; Sandy Grove, 1 85; Tirza, 6 00; Union, 8 00. Total, $312 18.

Presbyterial.—Antioch, $8 50; Bethel, 7 20; Bethlehem, 6 00; Barbacue, 10 00; Bluff, 14 00; Bethesda, 20 00; Ben-Salem, 8 00; Carthage, 12 00; Centre, 40 00; Cypress, 13 00; Euphronia, 10 00; Fayetteville, 30 00; Flat Branch, 3 00; Iona, 6 00; Longstreet, 8 00; Laurel Hill, 18 00; Laurinburg, 8 00; Lumber Bridge, 18 00; Macedonia, 6 00; Montpelier, 5 00; Mt. Tabor, 5 00; Mark's Creek, 2 00; Mt. Carmel, 4 00; Pee Dee, 10 00; Philadelphus, 3 10; Rockingham, 3 00; Sardis, 9 27; Sharon, 5 00; Smyrna, 12 00; St. Paul's, 15 00; St. Andrew's, 6 00; Big Rockfish, 10 00; Sandy Grove, 11 40; Tirza, 10 00; Union, 30 70. Total, $387 17.

Presbyterial, additional.—Bethlehem, $1 50; Buffalo, 15 00; Carthage, 5 00; Centre, 10 00; Euphronia, 6 00; China Grove, 10 00; Laurel Hill, 9 00; Lumber Bridge, 5 00; Sardis, 5 00; Smyrna, 3 00. Total, $69 50.

Evangelist.—Antioch, $3 95; Ashpole, 9 00; Bluff, 13 80; Buffalo, 28 00; Ben-Salem, 1 00; Euphronia, 8 70; Fayetteville, 41 88; Galatia, 6 31; Longstreet, 3 00; Laurel Hill, 13 00; Lumberton, 4 30; Lumber Bridge, 8 08; Lebanon, 11 00; Macedonia, 1 00; Mineral Spring, 1 25; Pee Dee, 4 65; Philadelphus, 5 70; Salem, 3 85; Smyrna, 5 25; St. Paul's, 7 00; St. Andrew's, 3 50; Big Rockfish, 7 36; Tirza, 2 50. Total, $194 08.

Colporturs.—Antioch, $1 75; Bluff, 5 50; Buffalo, 8 75; Fayetteville, 13 52; Galatia, 4 31; Laurel Hill, 9 10; McPherson's, 7 55; Philadelphus, 3 30; Smyrna, 2 10; Sandy Grove, 1 45. Total, $57 33.

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TOTAL.

Foreign Missions	$ 500 47
Education	479 34
Publication	178 85
Publication Building	61 68
Disabled Ministers	199 81
Sustentation	312 18
Presbyterial	387 17
Presbyterial, additional	69 50
Evangelist	194 08
Colporturs	57 33
	$2,440 41

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To cash on hand April 1st, 1874	$ 708 26
" Sundries	2,440 41
	$3,148 67

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By Presbyterial	$ 504 33
" Foreign Missions	356 69
" Education	328 28
" Publication	491 82
" Disabled Ministers	153 71
" Evangelists	383 74
" Sustentation	436 46
" Cash on hand April 1st, 1875	493 64
	$3,148 67

REPORT OF TREASURER PRO TEM.

Foreign Missions.—Laurinburgh, $15 90; Montpelier, 1 00; St. Paul's, 25 00; Iona, 1 00; Lebanon, 1 00; Mt. Tabor, 3 00.

Sustentation.—Union, $7 35; Mt. Pisgah, 1 00; Laurinburgh, 22 60; Montpelier, 1 00; St. Paul's, 1 00; Iona, 1 00; Mineral Springs, 1 40; Sharon, 1 55; Lebanon, 1 00; Carthage, 8 00.

Education.—Carthage, $10 00; Laurinburgh, 9 53; Montpelier, 1 00; Iona, 1 00; Mt. Tabor, 1 50; Sharon, 3 45; Lebanon, 2 50.

Publication.—Carthage, $7 00; Laurinburgh, 3 38; Montpelier, 1 00; Big Rockfish, 3 00; St. Paul's, 1 00; Iona, 1 00; Sharon, 2 75.

Evangelistic Fund.—Laurinburgh, $3 20; Iona, 1 00.

Invalid Fund.—Carthage, $5 00; Laurinburgh, 7 40; Montpelier, 1 00; Laurel Hill, 3 00.

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Presbyterial Fund.—Union, $13 30; Mt. Pisgah, 6 00; Carthage, 10 00; Laurinburgh, 10 00; Montpelier, 3 00; Big Rockfish, 15 00; St. Paul's, 27 00; Sherwood, 8 00; Iona, 10 00; Bethel, 10 00; Flat Branch, 3 00; Mt. Carmel, 5 50; Bethesda, 12 00; Ben Salem, 10 00; Philadelphus, 8 75; Ashpole, 35 00; Mt. Tabor, 5 00; Pee Dee, 10 00; Macedonia, 5 00; Mineral Spring, 10 00; Sharon, 6 00; Laurel Hill, 20 00; Smyrna, 16 00; Buffalo, 30 00; Euphronia, 12 00; Salem, 3 00; Sardis, 10 00; Bluff, 5 40; Sandy Grove, 10 00.

Totals.—Foreign Missions, $46 90; Sustentation, $45 90; Education, $28 98; Publication, $19 13; Evangelistic Fund, $4 20; Invalid Fund, $17 40; Presbyterial Fund, $328 95. Total, $491 46.

Rockingham, N. C., April 24th, 1875.

D. FAIRLEY,
Treasurer pro tem.

Rockingham.

Statistical Report to General Assembly.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1, 1875.

Names of Schools.	No. on Rolls. Teach'rs	No. on Rolls. Scholars	Average Attendance. Teach'rs	Average Attendance. Scholars	Increase. Teach'rs	Increase. Scholars	Decrease. Teach'rs	Decrease. Scholars	No. Added to Church. Teach're	No. Added to Church. Scholars	Amount Contributed for your own School.	Amount Contributed for Benevolent Purposes.
Antioch	6	60	2	25		2	5	3		4	$56 38	$2 40
Bethel	15	150	12	40							5 00	20 00
Cross Rockfish	7	125	4	90						30	47 00	3 00
Big Rockfish	35	250	21	30						2		
Buffalo	6	264	5	120						10		
Ben Salem	12	58	9	125						1	4 00	
Euphronia	28	55	20	26								
Fayetteville	4	135	4	26								
Gaddis	4	45	3	35								
Iona	1	70	1	45								
Lebanon	3	5	4	5						4	4 00	
Laurinburgh	3	20	3	40								
Longe Bridge	3	20	2	5						2		
Lumberton	3	122	3	20								
McPherson	3	125	2	12								
Philadelphus	6	325	4	12								
Sandy Grove	2	124	3	18							28 64	16 57
Smyrna	4	58	4	25							5 00	
Sherwood	1	74	3	35							4 00	
St. Paul's	1	87	4	55								
Rockingham	10	80	5	13								
Union	6	40	9	9							25 00	11 68
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J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consist of 14 Ministers, and has under its care 48 Churches, 2 Licentiates, and 7 Candidates, viz:

Ministers, Licentiates, and Candidates.	Post Offices.	Churches.	Officers. Elders.	Officers. Deacons.	Communicants. Added on Examination.	Communicants. Added on Certificate.	Communicants. Total of Communicants.	Baptized. Adult.	Baptized. Infant.	Baptized. No. of Baptized non-Communicants.	Children in S. Schools and Bible Classes.	Funds Collected. Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastor's Salary actually paid.	Congregational	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co.	Antioch, P.	6	2	12	2	140	1	4	96	60	$ 5 50	$ 3 75	$ 5 60	$10 00	$ 5 20	$10 49	$15 00	$ 200 00	$ 3 70	$ 16 70
" " "	" " "	Philadelphus, P.	5	4	1		108		1	44	55	2 00	5 70	6 25	7 30	8 95	2 65	11 55	137 00	10 00	20 95
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Laurinburgh	McPherson's, S. S.	4	4	6	3	74	4	4	42	25				13 75	16 75	15 56	10 00	296 66	100 90	
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Neill McKay, D.D., S. S.	Summerville	Lumber Bridge, S. S.	4	4	1	4	88		1	50	20	4 40	4 28		6 72	8 40	5 60	15 00	259 00	259 59	5 00
" " "	"	Salem, S. S.					42														
Andrew McMillan, S. S.	Laurel Hill	Tirza, S. S.	4	2	1		60		4		25	3 00	2 50	2 50	3 00	7 00	5 60	12 00			
" " "	"	Mt. Carmel, S. S.					49														
Archibald Baker, P.	Shoe Heel	Mark's Creek, S. S.					39														
D. D. McBryde, P.	Little River Academy	Centre, P.	10	6	41	6	244	3	9		129	35 00	7 00	7 00	45 00	30 00	7 00	30 00	800 00	283 11	53 26
" " "	" " "	Bluff, P.	5	4	3		158		3	60	90	7 80	13 80	15 80	12 66	15 50	5 00	14 00	286 00		5 50
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage	Sardis, S.	3	3	6		62	1	2	12	50	13 29	19 94	31 05	19 30	17 65	7 85	17 73	400 00		
" "	"	Carthage, P.	4	7	12	3	154	8	5		20	8 00		5 00	25 00	10 00	7 00	15 00	145 50	115 00	
James McQueen, S. S.	Swans's Station	Union, P.	6	6	60		276	6	8		125	7 35			12 00	12 00	7 86	24 00	270 00		6 19
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N. T. Bowden, S. S.	Morven	Barbacue, S. S.	4	8	5		90					2 50						10 00	35 00		
Archibald McQueen, P.	Shoe Heel	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	3	2	1	1	44	1	4	25		1 00			4 00			6 00	95 00	2 50	
" "	"	Harmony, S. S.					56														
John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh	Ashpole, P.	10	6	27	1	408	5	11	74	35	11 00	9 00	9 00	27 00	18 00	16 00	35 00	784 34		22 70
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" " "	"	Laurinburgh, S. S.	6	3	4	3	55	1	5	67	20	22 60	3 20	7 40	15 90	9 53	3 38	10 00	538 64	1 75	247 00
H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville	Bethel, S. S.	4	2	7	1	80	1	3	70	50		5 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00		130 00		
David Fairley, P.	Manchester	Montpelier, S. S.	1				7			5		1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	8 00	45 00		
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Joseph Evans, P.	St. Paul's	Cypress, P.					72														
" " "	" "	Longstreet, S. S.					82														
" " "	" "	St. Paul's, P.	5	4	1	4	149		3		110	1 00	7 00	10 00	37 50	15 00	1 00	27 00	425 00		
" " "	" "	Big Rockfish, P.	4	4	3	1	120		4		30	7 36	7 36	4 80	8 00	3 00		15 00	250 00		15 00
T. L. DeVeaux, Editor	Wilmington	Mt. Tabor, S. S.	2	1	1	1	34				30				5 50	1 50		5 00	100 00		
A. N. Ferguson, P. E.	Laurinburgh	Sherwood, S. S.	2		4		36	1	2		87			1 00	9 00			8 00	130 00		20 00
" " "	"	Laurel Hill, P. E.																			
K. M. McIntyre, P.	Butler's Ford	Smyrna	5	5	1	1	185		10		40	26 60	13 00	3 00	13 00	52 00	48 25	29 00	338 00	4 75	
" " "	"	Mineral Springs, P.	5	3		2	140		1		74	8 10	5 25		7 10	15 00	14 85	19 00	313 00		
" " "	"	Pee Dee, S. S.	7	3	27		153	8	5		20	1 50	1 25	1 00	3 00	2 50	1 25	8 00	123 20		
		Sharon, S. S.	3				22					3 75	4 65	3 10	12 50	7 60		10 00	200 00		
William S. Lacy, P.	Jonesboro	Macedonia, S. S.	4	4	17		75			14	20	1 55		1 75	3 50	3 45	2 75	6 00	121 50		
" " "	"	Buffalo, P.	5	3	9		65	1	2		15	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 25	1 25		100 00		
		Euphronia, P.	12	4	16	1	235	6	12	103	274	24 00	28 00	12 00	35 00	52 00	43 00	45 00	813 00	120 00	79 00
		Sandy Grove, V.	4	3	5		96	4	7	72	55	8 00	9 00	10 00	15 00	13 00	11 00	18 00	250 00		
Licentiates, 2.		Lumberton, V.	7	5			60		4	66	35	1 85			6 55	2 26	1 45				
		Ben-Salem, V.	4	3	2		46		5		12		4 30	5 10	6 20	14 50	10 95		317 00		50 15
Kenneth McDonald	Fayetteville	Lebanon, V.	6	4			113		1	40	55							10 00	150 00		
Daniel A. McRae	Melrose, Robeson Co.	Bethlehem, V.	3		1		19					1 00				1 00	2 50		20 50		
Candidates, 7.		Flat Branch, V.					12												77 70		
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Licensure, 1. Installations, 4. The Rev. Malcom McNair has been removed by death since our last Report.

By order of the Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

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Vote of thanks.

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of and vicinity, for the generous and elegant hospitality extended
co. to its members during the sessions of the body; to the officers of the Methodist Church for the use of their house of worship; and to the authorities of the Carolina Central Railway for the courtesy of reduced fare.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the papers of this town with a request for publication.

of The Committee on leave of absence presented a report, which was accepted and adopted and is as follows, viz:
w. We report, That we have given leave of absence to the following members: A. McLean, J. S. McArthur, A. J. Thompson, A. J. Smith, A. S. Baker, D. D. McBryde, K. McEachan, D. Fairley, David McDiarmid, N. Graham, D. K. McDuffie, K. McIntyre, James Stuart, J. D. McNeill, N. N. Stewart, L. C. McKinnon, M. McQuin, Joseph Evans, K. C. Hodgin, J. A. McAlister and Hugh Black.

Copies pub. The Stated Clerk was directed to have 300 copies of the Minutes of this session published, and also a brief abstract published in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

The Minutes of to-day's Session were read and approved, after which Presbytery adjourned to meet at Euphronia Church, Moore County, N.C. on Friday before the last Sabbath in September (24th) 1875, at 12, o'clock M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

One Hundred and Twenty-Fifth Sessions,
held at Euphronia Church, Moore County, N.C.

Euphronia Church, Moore County, N.C.
September 24th 1875.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. H. G. Hills, from 2nd Corinthians 5: 20, 21.

Text. "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us; we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For He hath made Him to be sin for us, Who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him".

Constituted. After sermon Presbytery was called to order by the Moderator and Constituted by prayer.

Present. Present;

Ministers – Hector McLean, J. T. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. A. McMillan, Martin McLean, Joseph Evans, James McLean, Archibald McLean, John H. Cobb, H. G. Hills, David Fairly, A. A. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre and William L. Lacy.

Churches represented. Churches represented – Ashpole, A. S. Berry; Barbacue, J. S. Harrington; Bethel, John W. McLauchlin; Bethsda, Malcom McNeill; Ben-Salem, Daniel B. Currie; Big-Rockfish, David McMillan; Cypress, Peter Monroe; Euphronia, William D. Harrington; Flat Branch, Allen Shaw; Laurel Hill, John McKay; Laurinburgh, John McIntyre; Long-Street, Duncan Brown; McPherson's, Daniel C. Currie; Mt. Pisgah, W. D. Harrington; Philadelphus, Archibald McMillan; Sardis, J. S. Smith

Sandy Grove, Neill S. Bleec; and St. Andrew's John G. Heuster. Continued.

Absent. Absent:

Ministers — Archibald Baker, D.D. McLeod Bryde, N. T. Bowden and T. L. DeWracy.

Churches not represented — Bethlehem, Bloff, Centre, Fagettsville, Galatia, Harmony, Lebanon, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpeh, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Red Row, Rockingham, Salem, Sharon, Smyrna, Shermod, Tirzah and Union and Carthage.

Mod. & Clerks. Moderator and Clerks:

Rev. Neill McKay, D.D. was chosen Moderator, and Rev. David Fairley and John W. McLauchlin temporary Clerks.

On motion it was made the first order of the day for this afternoon, to hear the Report of the Agent of Publication, and in connection therewith, Statements from Mr. J. D. K. Sleight, business Agent of the Committee of Publication.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for thirty five minutes.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to the order of the day, when the Report on Publication was read by the Agent, Rev. David Report on Publication. Fairley, which was accepted, amended, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted.

Report on Publication.

It is to be regretted that there is so little interest manifested in the cause of Publication. The inference may be drawn from the meagre contributions to this object, that the impression prevails that the Publication House is well-nigh paid for, and that the Institution is self-supporting; whereas there is a debt of $31.000. for the building, and a deficiency of more

than $10.000. in the endowment.

There is also cause for regret, that so few of our excellent publications are introduced into our private and Sabbath-School libraries. A sad want among our people is a taste for reading — a disinclination to avail themselves of this important medium of acquiring valuable knowledge.

Nothing has been accomplished during the past year in the way of Colportage-work, and nothing can be done in the future without funds. In view of these humiliating circumstances Presbytery Resolves, 1st. To remind all the Churches under its jurisdiction of the order of the General Assembly, viz: 'to take up collections for our Publication interests on the first Sabbath of March next, and that each Church specify for which particular purpose the contribution is made, whether it is made for the general purposes of the Committee, the Endowment Fund, or the Publishing House.

2nd. That the Agent of Publication and Colportage be directed to have such correspondence with our Ministers and Sessions as may be needful to secure an annual Collection for Colportage before the first of April of each year.

3rd. To recommend that each Church provide a Sabbath-School library, and that there be annual additions made to it.

Pending the motion to adopt the above resolutions, Mr. J. D. K. Sleight, Business-Agent of the Committee of Publication made some interesting statements in reference to this cause.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:—

Committees appointed.

1. Religious Exercises - Rev. Wm. S. Lacy & W. D. Harrington.
2. Minutes of General Assembly - Rev. Messrs K. M. McIntyre and J. H. Coble, and A. S. Bain and John McIntyre.
3. Narrative to Synod - Rev. Messrs A. McQueen & A. A. Ferguson and J. S. Smith.
4. Treasurer pro tem - Rev. H. G. Hill.

Place & time of next meeting.

The place and time of next meeting:

Presbytery proceeded to select the place and fix the time for holding our Spring Sessions, when Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C. was chosen as the place and the time fixed for Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1876. at 11 o'clock A.M.

Order of the day.

On motion, Free Conversation on the State of Religion was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning.

K. McDonald.

Kenneth McDonald:

Mr. Kenneth McDonald, a licentiate under our care, presented through the Stated Clerk, a request for a letter of dismission, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Wilmington.

Dismissed.

On motion, his request was granted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Rev. H. H. Banks.

Rev. Henry H. Banks:

Letter from Davidson College. Referred.

A letter from Rev. Henry H. Banks, Financial Agent of Davidson College, was read and referred to the following Committee: Rev. Messrs A. McMillan and James McQueen and J. S. Harrington.

Report of D. College.

Report of Trustees of Davidson College:

The Report of the Trustees of Davidson College was read and ordered to be placed on file.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Treasurer:

The Report of Mr. George P. McNeill, Treasurer of Presbytery, was read and referred to Messrs John McRae and Allen Shaw.

Report from S. C. McMillan.

Report of Mrs Sarah C. McMillan:

A Report from Mrs. Sarah C. McMillan, Administratrix of the estate of Mr. C. A. McMillan, deceased, late Treasurer of Presbytery, was read and referred to the following Committee, viz: Rev. J. H. Coble and Messrs D. C. Currie and W. D. Harrington.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday morning, September 25th 1875.

Presbytery met and was opened with prayer.

Rev. K. M. D.D.

Rev. Neill McRae D.D. rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last and previous meeting of Presbytery.

Free Conversation.

Free Conversation:

Presbytery took up the order of the day for this hour, when verbal reports were made on the state of Religion.

Rev. D. C. Murchison.

Rev. D. C. Murchison, of the Baptist Church, being present, was invited to sit with us as a corresponding member.

Rev. J. H. Coble.

Rev. J. H. Coble rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from three previous meetings of Presbytery.

Letters from Messrs DeVeaux.

Rev. Messrs Baker and DeVeaux:

Rev. Archibald Baker, by letter, rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from our present sessions; and Rev. T. L. DeVeaux also by letter, rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our present and two previous meetings.

Report on letter from H. H. B.

The Committee to whom the letter of Rev. H. H. Banks had been referred, presented their report, which was accepted, when a

Laid on table. substitute for said report was offered, and after some discussion, was laid upon the table for the present.

Report on F. M. The Report of the Agent on Foreign Missions was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for five minutes to meet in the session room. After Recess Presbytery met.

Education Report. Education:

Rev. Hector McLean presented the Report of the Committee of Education, which was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee respectfully report: that in obedience to your instructions, we applied August 11th to the General Assembly's Committee for the usual appropriations for our Theological and Collegiate students, who need aid, amounting to $950. But we received a communication from Dr. Waddel informing us, that he was instructed by the General Assembly's Committee to ask us to deduct something from the amount we ask for the young brethren, saying, "We feel obliged to ask this, because of the difficulty we have in raising these amounts heretofore. We have been making all appropriations smaller this year. Should the state of the funds admit, we shall be glad to add to the sums we appropriate."

We replied that we had no authority to say that deductions should be made; we, therefore, left the whole matter to the General Assembly's Committee, who were in a position to know the real state of the general fund, and also to take a more correct view of the whole field.

This is a matter of deep concern to our young men who need aid, and demands the serious consideration

Continued of the Presbytery. For there are seven candidates for the Ministry under your care. Five of this number are theological students at Union Theological Seminary, Va. viz: Angus McDonald, William M. McGilvary, Dugald Monroe, and Colin A. Monroe, who are in their senior year, and E. Marshall Monroe, who is in the Middle Class. Two are Collegiate students, viz: Frank P. Harrell, and Lauchlin A. McLean. The former is in the Junior Class at Davidson College, and the latter has recently become a student in Hampden Sidney College.

All your Candidates who are recieving aid from the general fund, notwithstanding their own personal efforts during their vacation, to supplement their means, will need the full amount usually allowed. But can they receive it, unless all our Churches contribute more promptly and liberally?

We have no means of ascertaining the amount contributed by our Churches to this cause, since your last meeting.

All our Churches, with few exceptions, are reported as having contributed to this object, the last ecclesiastical year; yet the amount received from the general fund, far exceeds what was contributed. Your Committee, therefore, earnestly appeal to all our Ministers and Sessions to endeavour to secure more liberal contributions in all our churches and from all our people, at the time appointed for annual collection, and promptly forward them to the Committee at Memphis, Tenn.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Hector McLean Chairman.

Report of Comrs. to G. Assembly. Rev. M. G. Hill and Mr. James D. McIver, Commissioners to the last General Assembly, reported that they attended the Sessions of that body, which was accepted.

Order for $5.50 to Rev. H. G. Hill.

Rev. H. G. Hill also reported that the amount allowed him fell short $5.50. of meeting his travelling expenses; whereupon the Stated Clerk was directed to give him an order on our Treasurer for that amount.

Supplies.

Supplies to vacant Churches reported a discharge of that duty.

D. College Trustee.

Rev. A. S. Ferguson was elected a Trustee of Davidson College for four years.

300. Copies of Minutes &c.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish in pamphlet form 300. Copies of our present Minutes.

Report on Min. G. Ass.

Minutes of General Assembly.

The Committee appointed on the Minutes of General Assembly, Report, That they have examined the same and call the attention of the Presbytery to the following injunctions:

1st Concerning Evangelistic labour, page 21. Resolution One and two.

2nd Concerning the Coloured people, page 24. Resolutions three and four.

3rd Concerning Education, page 28. Resolutions four and six.

4th Concerning the Contingent and Commissioners fund. page 35. Rules two and three.

5th Systematic Benevolence, page 40. Resolutions one, two and three.

Respectfully submitted.

R. A. McMillan & J. M. Cobb.

This report was accepted.

Visiting Committees.

The Committee to visit the Churches in second District, reported that they had visited Barbecue Church, and a similar Committee to visit those in third District, reported they had visited Bethlehem Church.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence was granted to Duncan Brown & Rev. A. McMillan.

Presbytery had a recess for 35 minutes.

D. College.

After recess Presbytery met, and took up the unfinished business, the Report of the Committee on Mr. Barr's letter.

Substitute adopted.

The substitute for that report was amended and adopted, viz:

Resolved, That this Presbytery will give Mr. Barr, Agent of Davidson College, a cordial welcome and will give him all proper encouragement and assistance in carrying out the object of his agency.

Instructions to Trustees.

The following resolution was also adopted:

Resolved, That this Presbytery of Fayetteville deems the action of the Trustees of Davidson College in altering, without the consent of the holders, the terms upon which scholarships can be used, as unwise and injurious to the Institution, and that it instructs the Trustees appointed by itself to endeavour to have such action taken by the Board as may remove all grounds for the charge of injustice to the holders of scholarships.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish the Agent of Davidson College with a copy of the above action of Presbytery.

C. A. McMillan, late Treas.

Report in reference to late Treasurer:

The Committee to whom the statement of the Administration of C. A. McMillan, late Treasurer, was referred, Report, recommending that George P. Mintzell, Treasurer of Presbytery, be authorized to receive from the administrator of the late Treasurer, the funds of Presbytery now in her hands, amounting to $.576. 41. and to forward the same immediately to the Assembly's Treasurers, as follows:

To Charles Gerrell, Richmond, Va. for Publication $.72. 08.:

Continued. To Rev. Richard McElroine, Baltimore, Md. for disabled Ministers $39.13. – for Sustentation $57.61. for Foreign Missions $192.50. and for Evangelistic work, $61.52. and to the Treasurer of Education, A. F. Dodd, Memphis, Tenn. $124.40, and that he place the amount for Colportage $49.17. to the credit of that fund on his books.

The Committee find that the Presbyterial Fund is indebted to the Benevolent Funds above named $151.29. overdrawn and recommend that our Treasurer charge said amount against the Presbyterial Fund and repay to each of the Benevolent accounts an equal proportion of that sum, as soon as the Presbyterial Fund can furnish the above amount.

The Committee call attention to the action of Presbytery at the adjourned meeting last November, in regard to all our churches paying half of the annual assessment to meet this and other debts, amounting to $266.65. and recommend that those churches which have not paid that half assessment be directed to do so as soon as practicable.

The Committee also find that the Colportage Fund is in debt to the Evangelistic Fund about $29.50. and recommend that our Treasurer be instructed to return that amount to the Evangelistic Fund from the Fund for Colportage.

Your Committee recommend that our Treasurer be authorized to receive all funds collected in our Church and that he forward funds for benevolent objects to the Assembly's Treasurers once in every two months, with a list of the churches contributing and the amount contributed by each, and that this list be published in

the N. C. Presbyterian, when these remittances are made; also that he be allowed for these and other services a salary of $50.00 per annum from October 1st 1875.

Concluded. On motion the above report was unanimously adopted.

Sandy G. Fairley. Sandy Grove Church obtained permission to secure the ministerial services of Rev. David Fairley one fourth of his time on a salary of $200. per annum.

L. M. Currie. Mr. L. M. Currie, former Evangelist and Colporteur of this Presbytery, presented his account, which was accepted and referred to the Sustentation Committee.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence after this evening, was granted to Rev. Messrs H. McLean, and J. H. Coble, Archibald McMillan, John McIntyre, Allen Shaw, Peter Monroe, John McKay, N. S. Blue, and Rev. Neill McKay D.D. until Monday morning.

On motion Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Closed with prayer.

Euphronia Church, September 27th 1875.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and in the absence of the Moderator, Dr. McKay, Rev. H. G. Neill, the last Moderator present, took the chair and opened the sessions with prayer.

The Minutes of Friday and Saturday were read, corrected and approved.

F. Missions Report. The order of the day for this hour was taken up, when the Report on Foreign Missions was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McLean, and amended, the report accepted and the resolutions appended thereto adopted,

Continued. after some discussion.

Foreign Missions:

It is cause for the profoundest gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that He has so signally blessed all the missionary efforts of our Southern Zion. Under His guidance and blessings its progress has been almost without a parallel in the annals of Missions.

Although our first station in a foreign land was not established more than eight years ago, we have now sixteen principal stations, with as many more out posts supplied with regular preaching. We have thirty regularly ordained Ministers — twenty-one from this country, and nine natives of the countries in which they labour — twenty nine assistant missionaries from this country, and sixteen native helpers — in all seventy four labourers in the field, preaching the Gospel in nine different languages.

We have organized fifteen or twenty Churches with over a thousand members; and we have established as many schools with from four to five hundred students — several of them preparing to preach the Gospel.

This result will appear much more remarkable, when we remember, that much preparatory work has to be done the first years, in selecting locations, procuring and erecting buildings, and acquiring various languages. Hence we may reasonably hope for much greater results the next decade, with the same amount of labour and means.

The want of funds seems to be the only limit to the success and extension of our Missionary operations.

The last fiscal year closed with a heavy debt

Missions Continued. hanging over the Treasury. How much of this debt has been paid since April we are unable to state.

To the last Assembly forty of our forty-eight Churches, with Sabbath-schools and Ladies' Missionary Associations reported $553.42, an increase of $195.42 over the previous year. Since our last report $463.84 have been forwarded from our Presbytery. Of this amount, eighteen of our churches contributed $389.84. the remainder, by Sabbath-schools, Ladies' Missionary associations & individuals.

We hope when the thirty churches which have not yet reported their contributions, will send on their collections, that the contributions of this year will be the largest ever made by our Presbytery.

Resolved, 1st That Presbytery recommend the formation of Ladies' Missionary Societies in all our churches where it is practicable.

Resolved 2nd. That greater efforts be made to extend the circulation of the "Missionary" among our people.

Resolved 3rd That our Pastors institute the monthly concert of prayer, if practicable, in all our churches.

Resolved 4th That our Agent of Foreign Missions be directed to correspond with Ministers and Church officers, so far as may be necessary to secure from all our churches one annual contribution to the cause of Foreign Missions.

Continued. Respectfully submitted.

A. M. Lucas. Agent.

Sustentation.

Sustentation:

The Committee of Sustentation presented their report, which was accepted, amended, and the resolutions appended

Sustentation. thereto adopted. It is as follows:

Report of the Committee of Sustentation for the six months ending October 1st 1875.

Your Committee would report as follows: 1st. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation, — For the six months ending October 1st 1875. The Assembly's Treasurer reports 12 Churches from our Presbytery as contributing to Sustentation $50.50. Compared with the corresponding six months in 1874, there is a decrease of 5 contributing churches, & of $43.6[illegible]

No appropriations for Sustentation during the current year have been asked from the Assembly's Committee.

2nd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic work.

For the period covered by this report, the Assembly's Treasurer states that 5 of our Churches have contributed to the Evangelistic Fund $23.45. Compared with the corresponding six months of 1874, there is a decrease of one contributing church and of $10.10.

During the current year no appropriations for Evangelistic work within our bounds have been asked from the Assembly's Committee.

3rd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Assembly's Treasurer Reports as contributing to this Fund for six months ending October 1st 1875, by 11 Churches $51.87. Upon the corresponding period of 6 months last year, this shows a decrease of 7 contributing churches & of $[illegible]

Appropriations asked for the ensuing year from October 1st 1875. For Mrs John M. Sherrard — $100.00.
For Miss Susan Hogshead — 25.00.
" " William A. Hogshead — 25.00.
Whole amount asked for, but not granted $150.00.

Sustentation. 4. As to supplies for vacant churches during the past 6 months:

Long Street — Rev. D. Fairley, one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Lumberton — Rev. H. McLean " " " "
H. G. Hill in November, D. D. McBryde in December, Joseph Evans in January, A. A. Ferguson in February.
Mt. Salem — Wm. S. Paley one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Laurinburg — Archibald McLean " " " "
Bethlehem — J. P. McPherson " " " "
Flat Branch — James McLean " " " "
Rockingham — J. H. Cobb " " " "
Mizpah — A. McMillan " " " "

In view of the meagreness of our contributions to these objects, and the large number of non-contributing churches, the following resolutions are offered:

1st Resolved; That Presbytery enjoins it upon its Ministers and Sessions, annually to instruct the people in the duty of contributing to Sustentation, Evangelistic work, and the Invalid Fund.

2nd Resolved; That Ministers and Elders are directed by Presbytery to make an earnest effort to have a liberal collection taken up annually in all their churches, for each of these objects and forwarded promptly to the Presbyterial Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted
H. G. Hill Chairman.

Concluded.

Statistical Report.

Statistical Report:

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was accepted and approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 8 Ministers

and have under their care 48 churches, one Licentiate and 7 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 24th day of April 1875. they licensed Mr. Daniel A. McRae to preach the Gospel as a probationer for the holy Ministry; that on the 29th day of May 1875. they installed Rev. A. N. Ferguson, Pastor of Laurel Hill Church; that on the 7th day of August 1875, they installed Rev. Archibald McLaurin Pastor of Iona Church; that on the 25th day of September 1875. they dismissed, at his own request, Mr. Kenneth McDonald, a licentiate, to join himself under the care of the Presbytery of Wilmington, and that the next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath in April 1876.

By order of Presbytery. Respectfully submitted.

Euphronia Church, N.C. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

September 27th 1875.

Colportage. On motion, it was resolved, That Rev. D. Fairley, Agent for Publication and Colportage, if the funds will justify it, employ a Colporteur by the 1st of April 1876,

Narrative.

Narrative:

The Committee on the Narrative submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Narrative of the state of Religion in Fayetteville Presbytery to Synod, would Report, That nothing of unusual interest has transpired within our bounds since the last meeting of Synod. Some of our Churches during the year have been visited with refreshing

Narrative. seasons of Grace. Within the last month or two, two of our Churches have been blessed with the outpouring of the Spirit. In one there were 17 added and to the other 26. Most of our Churches have received some additions during the year.

So far as we can learn there seems to be an increased interest in the Sabbath School work. Larger numbers of our Children have been brought into the Sabbath School and more attention is given to the religious instruction of the young. In regard to the benevolent contributions of our Churches, and we hope, that notwithstanding the scarcity of money in our bounds, that a deep interest is taken in the important subject of benevolence.

Upon the whole we have reason to thank God and press on, relying alone upon the Great Head of the Church for success.

Respectfully submitted.

Manual & Map. Manual and Map;

The Committee appointed to prepare a manual of the Presbytery, and to inquire into the cost of publication of a map, submitted their report, which was accepted and ordered to be placed on the docket.

Vote of thanks. Vote of thanks;

Resolved; That the thanks of Presbytery are due and are hereby tendered to the Congregation of Euphronia for their generous hospitality to us during our present sessions, and that their Pastor, Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, read this resolution from the pulpit at some convenient time.

Colored Candidate. Colored Candidate;

Coloured Candidate.

The Committee to whom the matter of aiding a coloured man had been referred, reported, that they accomplished nothing, and asked to be discharged.

This report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Systematic Benevolence.

The Report on Systematic benevolence not being ready, and the Treasurer pro tem. not being prepared to report, these reports were ordered to be laid before Presbytery at an adjourned meeting to be held at Greensboro, N.C. during the sessions of Synod.

Orders on Treasurer.

The Stated Clerk was directed to give the following orders on the Treasurer; viz:

To Rev. H. G. Hill $5.50. To the Treasurer of Synod, Mr. Jesse H. Lindsay, for balance due on 1874 $40.00. and for 1875. $80.00.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in Greensboro' N.C. during the sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson. Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting Greensboro'.

Adjourned Meeting.

Greensboro' N.C. October 15th 1875.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met at the call of the Moderator, and the sessions were opened with prayer.

Present; Ministers - J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. Martin McLaurin and Wm. S. Lacy.

Ruling Elder, R. McCaskill, Centre Church.

The Stated Clerk read the report on Systematic

Systematic Benevolence.

Benevolence, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville Report to the Synod of North Carolina, that for the year ending October 1st 1875.

34 Churches contributed to Relief Fund for disabled Ministers			$251.68.
36. "	"	" Education	" 479.31.
34. "	"	" Sustentation	" 362.84.
25. "	"	" Publication	" 178.85.
42. "	"	" Foreign Missions	" 463.84.
Miscellaneous			" 163.48.
Whole amount			$ 1.902.10.

Remarks; Owing to the extreme scarcity of money our Churches have not contributed as largely as in former years, though an opportunity has been regularly afforded to our people to worship God with their substance.

Respectfully submitted.

Oct. 15th 1875. J. P. McPherson. Stated Clerk.

Report of Treas. pro tem.

The Treasurer pro tem. submitted his report which was accepted and he was ordered to pay over the money in his hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery, Mr. George P. McNeill. Sandy Grove to Presbyterial Fund $5.00. Sardis-Foreign Missions $23.62. Presbyterial Collection for same Fund 28.16. Sardis-Evangelistic fund 6.80. Invalid fund 5.00. Total-Foreign Missions $51.78. Evangelistic fund $6.80. Invalid fund $23.18. Total Contribution — $86.76.

H. G. Hill Treasurer pro tem.

L. W. Currie.

The Sustentation Committee to whom the account of L. W. Currie had been referred, asked to be continued, which was granted.

Presbytery took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.
After recess Presbytery met, when the Minutes were read and approved.

Adjourned. On motion Presbytery adjourned to meet at Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Wednesday before the 4th Sabbath (5th) of April 1876. at 11. o'clock A. M.

Closed with prayer. J. H. McPherson Stated Clerk.

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Appendix.

Treasurer's Report;

Presbyterial. Presbyterial — Ashpole $35.00. Barbecue 9.60. Bethel 10.00. Bethesda 12.00. Ben-Salem, 10.00. Bluff, 5.40. Big Rockfish 15.00. Buffalo, 30.00. Carthage, 10.00. Euphronia, 12.00. Fayetteville 16.00. Flat Branch, 3.00. Iona, 10.00. Laurel Hill 20.00. Laurinburgh 10.00. Long Street, 15.00. Macedonia, 5.00. Mineral Spring, 10.00. Mt. Carmel 5.50. Mt. Pisgah, 6.00. Montpelier 3.00. Mt. Tabor, 5.00. Pa Dee, 10.00. Philadelphus 8.75. Salem, 3.00. Sardis 10.00. Sandy Grove, 10.00. Sharon, 6.00. St. Paul's 27.00. Shiloh 8.00. Union 13.30. Smyrna, 16.00. Total — $369.55.

Colportage. Colportage — Fayetteville, $4.25. Bethlehem, 2.95. Total $7.20.

Total amount received — $376.75.

Expenditures;

1875. May 5th. N. C. Presbyterian for printing Minutes $49.81.
" " 10th Rev. H. G. Hide, Com. to General Assembly " 62.50.
" " " Capt. J. D. McIver, " " " " 62.50.
" " " Assessment to General Assembly " 30.00.
" July 26th N. C. Presbyterian for printing Minutes " 6[illegible].22.
" September 15th Salary of Stated Clerk to Oct. 1st 1875. 25.00.
Amount paid out — $299.03.
Balance on hand $77.72. Presbyterial Fund $ 70.00.

Colportage $7.20.

Respectfully Submitted
G. P. McNeill, Treasurer.

Examined & found correct.

Fayetteville Presbytery in account with Charles A. McMillan, Late Treasurer.

April 1875. To paid Presbyterial Fund — $151.29.
" " " Rev. J. H. McPherson — " 25.00.
" " " Rev. Mr. Currie on account of Evangelistic Fund — " 63.55.
Amount paid out — " 239.84.

The following to be paid;
Publication $72.08. Disabled Ministers $39.13. Education $134.40. Sustentation $57.61. Foreign Missions $192.50. Evangelist — $61.52. Colportage $49.17.
Amount to be paid out. — $596.41.

Credit.

		Since April	Total.
1875. April. By Publication	$38.13.	$51.10.	$89.23.
" " Disabled Ministers	" 48.57.	" "	48.57.
" " Education	154.07.		154.07.
" " Sustentation	55.10.	16.39.	71.49.
" " Foreign Missions	234.96.	3.38.	238.34.
" " Evangelist	5.88.	3.52.	9.40.
" Pr. Rev. Mr. Fairley		130.50.	130.50.
" Colportage	57.42.	3.50	60.92.
" " Presbyterial		33.73.	33.73.
	$594.13.	$242.12.	$836.25.

Fayetteville, Sept. 1875. Sarah C. McMillan
Administratrix of C. A. McMillan
Per. D. A. Ray.

The above account was examined and found correct.
J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.
Euphronia Church, Sept. 25th 1875.
Note— Mrs. McMillan was authorized to pay over to Mr. G. F. McNeill, Treasurer of Presbytery, the sum of $5.56 No. 41. now in her hands.

Approved thus far Oct. 20. 1876
M. McQueen Mod. of Synod,

One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Sessions,
Held at Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C.
Centre Church, Robeson County, N.C.
April 19th 1876.

Sermon. Text.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Neill McKay D.D. the Moderator, from John. 13; 35. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another"; and 1st Corinthians 12; 31. "But covet earnestly the best gifts; and yet show I unto you a more excellent way."

Constituted

After sermon, the Moderator took the Chair and Constituted the prayer.

Present. Ministers.

Present:
Ministers— Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. Archibald Baker, Martin McQueen, Joseph Evans, Archibald McQueen, John H. Cobb, H. G. Hill, A. N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre and William S. Lacy.

Churches represented.

Churches represented— Antioch, H. H. Hodgin; Bethel, J. D. McLeod; Bethesda, J. B. Graham; Bon-Salem, A. B. Currie; Bluff, Walter J. Smith; Buffalo, Wonder McGilvary; Carthage, W. J. Smith; Centre, E. W. Ray; Cypress, D. McLauchlin; Flat Branch, D. J. McDonald; Galatia, J. D. McNeill; Iona, D. C. McIntyre; Lauchinburgh, Angus Bluce; Lumber-Bridge, D. A. Malloy; Lumberton, J. A. McAlister; Mineral Spring, A. G. McKenzie; Montpelier, L. McNeill; Mt. Carmel, J. M. N. Clark; Mt. Tabor, B. S. Smith; Sandy Grove, Alex Munroe; Smyrna, Peter McRae; St. Paul's, John Caldwell; and

Sherrod, D. Davis.

Absent.

Absent:

Ministers. Ministers – Andrew McMillan, D. D. McBryde, James McLaren, N. T. Bowden, David Fairley and T. L. DeVaux.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented – Barbacoa, Bethlehem, Fayetteville, Harmony, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Longstreet, McPherson's, Mark's Creek, Macedonia, Mizpeh, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Shiloh, St. Andrew's, and Tirzah.

Mod. & Clerks. Moderator and Clerks Chosen:

Rev. Archibald McLean was chosen Moderator and Rev. J. H. Cobb and Mr. J. B. Graham, temporary Clerks.

Recess. Presbytery took recess until 2. o'clock.

After recess Presbytery met. The reading of the minutes of last meeting was dispensed with.

Rev. T. L. DeVaux. Rev. T. L. DeVaux:

The following preamble and resolutions introduced by Rev. J. P. McPherson, were adopted, viz:

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, in His wise, but mysterious Providence, to lay His hand in long and severe affliction, upon our dearly beloved and cherished Brother, Rev. T. L. DeVaux; Therefore

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathise with him and his family in these long continued and very painful sufferings, and tender to him and his beloved wife our condolence and warm affections, and do earnestly pray and entreat our covenant-keeping God, that He would deal very tenderly with him in his present trial, and, if such be His holy will, to spare him yet

included. for many days to labour in that important field which he has so ably and diligently occupied for the last few years; and that our Stated Clerk forward to him immediately a copy of this paper.

Resolved further, That, as a Presbytery, we now engage in earnest prayer to God on his behalf.

Rev. Hector McLean led the Presbytery in prayer.

Treas. pro tem. Treasurer pro tem.

Mr. J. A. McAlister was appointed Treasurer pro tem.

Finance Committee. Messrs J. A. McAlister, W. J. Smith and Rev. H. G. Hill were appointed a Finance Committee.

Treas. Report. Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's report was presented and supplementary statement in reference to Churches indebted to Presbytery Real Fund was read, when both papers were referred to the Finance Committee.

Change of Assessment. On motion, the following change was made in the assessment on Bethel and Montpelier Churches, viz: Bethel $10.00. and Montpelier $5.00.

It was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning to fix the place and time for next meeting.

A. B. Society American Bible Society:

A Communication from Rev. C. H. Wiley, District Agent of the American Bible Society for North Carolina, was read; whereupon the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolution adopted. Presbytery recommends to the Churches under its care, to take up annually a collection for the American Bible society, that the sessions mention the collection for the Bible Cause in their annual sessional Reports to Presbytery.

and that they also report the amount of this collection every year to the State Superintendent, now Rev C. H. Wiley at Winston, N.C.

Rev. H. H. B.

Rev. H. H. Banks:

Rev. H. H. Banks, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Committees announced.

Committees announced:

The Moderator announced the following Committees—

Religious Exercises— Rev Messrs Archibald Baker, H. McLean and E. W. Ray.

Minutes of Synod— Rev. Messrs H. M. McIntyre, A. N. Ferguson and W. J. Stewart.

Minutes of General Assembly— Rev. Messrs Archibald Baker H. McLean and Peter McRae.

To examine Statistical Reports of Church Sessions— Rev. Messrs Wm. S. Lacy, A. N. Ferguson & J. P. McPherson.

Free Conversation on the state of Religion was made the second order of the day for to-morrow morning.

Narrative to General Assembly— The Committee on Sessional Reports, viz; Lacy, Ferguson & McPherson, was made the Committee on the Narrative.

Sustentation Report.

Sustentation:

The Presbyterial Committee on Sustentation, Rev. H. [illegible] Hill, Chairman, presented their Report, which was accepted and adopted, viz;

The Sustentation Committee would report as follows, for the ecclesiastical year ending April 1st 1876.

1st— As to Ministerial Support.— We have 18 ordained Ministers and one Licentiate. Four of our Ministers

live in part by secular pursuits. We have two pastorates, that are probably unable to give salaries of $800.00. The average of salaries promised our laboring Ministers, outside of the town of Fayetteville, is $800.00.

adopted.

Owing to financial stringency among our people, many of our Ministers have had their salaries partially and irregularly paid during the past year.

2nd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation— During the ecclesiastical year, your Treasurer reports 32 Churches as contributing to Sustentation $153.00. The number of Churches contributing to this object, is the same as last year, but there is a decrease in the amount of $123.80. Sixteen of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year; though the contributions of some of them, may be paid at the present meeting of Presbytery.

For the current year an appropriation of $200.00. has been asked from the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation; provided Presbytery employs one of our Licentiates in the vacant Churches. This appropriation has been conditionally granted, but unless our Churches increase considerably their contributions to Sustentation $200.00. will exceed the amount we contribute to the general fund.

3rd— As to Contributions and appropriations for Evangelistic work. For the ecclesiastical year, your Treasurer reports 16 Churches as contributing to the general Evangelistic Fund $85.39. As compared with last year, this shows a decrease of 6 contributing Churches,

and of $93.89. Some of our Churches may pay their contributions to this object at the present meeting, but the Treasurer's report reveals the painful fact, that 32 of our Churches have forwarded no contributions to Evangelistic work during the past year. During the current year no appropriation has been asked from the Assembly's Evangelistic Fund.

Continued.

4th. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year by 18 Churches, $108.41. Compared with the previous year, this shows a decrease of 12 contributing Churches and of $91.40. Some contributions may have been made to this object, that have not been paid to the Treasurer, but according to his report 30 of our Churches have contributed nothing to the Invalid Fund for a year. Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund:-

For Mrs Sarah D. Sharrood ----	$100.00.
" Miss Susan Hoagshead ----	" 25.00
" Miss Willie A. Hoagshead ----	" 25.00.
This amount has been fully paid.	$150.00

The recipients express to the Presbytery their most grateful thanks for the aid rendered.

5th. As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Bethlehem - J. P. McPherson one Sabbath & Sacrament.
" H. G. Hill " " " "
Mizpah - A. McMillan " " " "
Mark's Creek - J. H. Coble " " " "
Lebanon - A. S. Ferguson " " "

Sustentation.

Lumberton - Archibald Baker - one Sabbath & Sacrament
Rockingham A. McLean " " "
Flat Branch - D. Fairley " " "

Your Committee would make the following recommendations:-

1st. That Mr. Colin A. Munroe, when licensed, be employed for a year, half the time in Lumberton Church and the remainder in Rockingham, on a salary of $700.00. $400. to be raised in Lumberton, $100. in Rockingham, and $200.00. to be furnished by the Sustentation Committee.

2nd. That a Collection be taken up in all the Churches of the Presbytery, during the month of May, for paying Licentiate L. W. Currie a balance of $75.00 due him for services rendered as Evangelist and Colporteur during the year 1872-73.

Concluded.

3rd. That the Presbytery attentively consider the enclosed circular addressed to us by the Assembly's Secretaries of Sustentation.

Respectfully submitted.
H. G. Hill. Chairman.

The circular to which reference is made in the above report, was read, and referred to the Sustentation Committee.

Printing Minutes.

Account for printing Minutes. $45.01.

The account of the North Carolina Presbyterian Publishing Company for printing and mailing the Minutes of our last Fall Sessions was presented and ordered to be paid by the Treasurer, forthwith.

Dec. 1st, 1875. For printing Minutes, Fall of 1875. 300 copies $[illegible]
" " " Postage " 3.0[illegible]
Education. Education; $ 45.0[illegible]

The Committee of Education presented their report, which was accepted and adopted; and is as follows, viz:

Your Presbyterial Committee of Education respectfully report, That notwithstanding the extreme pressure in financial affairs, your seven candidates for the Ministry were privileged to continue the prosecution of their studies. Five of these are Theological students, and they will apply at your present Sessions for license to preach the Gospel. Two are Collegiate students, one is in his junior year, at Davidson College, and the other is in his Freshman year at Hampden Sidney College.

The appropriations allowed, this year, in consequence of the scarcity of funds, to each of the three Theological students, who applied for aid was $175.00, and to each of our Collegiate students $150.00, amounting to $825.00.

These appropriations, though insufficient to meet their necessary expenditures, if promptly paid, would be a great relief to them. And they would always be promptly paid, if the Churches would charitably, liberally and readily, response to the urgent claims of this important cause, and furnish the General Assembly's Committee with the necessary means.

The excellent Secretary of the Executive Committee was not only unceasing in his efforts to pay promptly our candidates this year's appropriations, but also the arrearages of the past year.

Only two of them, who are in their senior year in the Theological Seminary, reported to us that they received the full amount allowed them this year. Your Committee deeply regretted to learn from a communication recently received from Dr. Waddell, that to the 24th of March 1876, the amount received from Fayetteville Presbytery for Education, since May 1875, was $74.98, and that our five candidates who are aided, received since November 1st 1875, $477.00.

These facts speak loudly to this Presbytery that has under its care 48 Churches with over 4000 members.

Your Committee, however, do cherish the hope, that funds from many of our Churches, have reached the Committee at Memphis, even since the date of the communication made to us, for it is known to some of us, that two Churches that transmitted funds to our Treasurer for this cause in November and December 1875, are not named or included in the above communication.

In view of our Presbytery's connection with the General Assembly's Committee, it is evidently the duty of all our Ministers, Elders and Deacons to see to it, that collections, at the appointed time, are taken up for this cause and promptly forwarded to the Committee at Memphis.

Concluded.

Respectfully Submitted.
Hector McLean Chairman.

Change in Com.

Rev. Hector McLean tendered his resignation as Chairman and a member of the above Committee, and also that of Maj. John McNeill, which was accepted, whereupon Rev. J. H. Cobb was made Chairman, and

Mr. Angus Blue was appointed to fill the vacancy of Maj. McNeill, and Rev. A. S. Ferguson, that of Rev. Hector McNeill.

Manual. Rev. William S. Lacey submitted his report on the Manual, which was accepted and placed on the docket.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, April 20th 1876,

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. A. McMillan, Milton McIntosh Ruling Elder of Lacerd Hill Church, J. E. Elliott Sardis Church, and Capt. R. S. Baker of Lebanon Church appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Committee on Ses. Records. The Moderator announced the following Committee on Sessional Records, viz:

Antioch, Ashpole, Bonbacue, Bethlehem & N. Andrews; Rev. Neill McKay D.D. and Walter J. Smith.

Bethel, Bethesda, Big Salem, Bluff, & N. Paul's:— Rev. Hector McLean and D. C. McIntyre.

Big Rockfish, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill & Shurrow; Rev. H. G. Hill and W. J. Stewart.

Laurinburgh, Long-street, Lebanon, Lumber Bridge & Rizgah; Rev. Archibald Baker and Angus Blue.

Lumberton, McPherson's, Mark's Creek, Macedonia & Union; Rev. Martin McLaurin and Peter Munroe.

Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier and Mt. Carmel;

Rev. A. S. Ferguson and E. W. Ray.

Buffalo, Carthage, Centre, and China Grove; Rev. Joseph Evans and M. G. McKenzie.

Cypress, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch & Galatia; Rev. A. McMillan and Peter McRae.

Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Red Hill, Philadelphus & Rockingham; Rev. R. M. McIntyre and J. D. McNeill.

Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon, and Smyrna; Rev. William S. Lacey and Wander McGilvary.

Concluded. The first order of the day for this morning was taken up, when Bethel Church, Robeson County, N.C. was chosen as the place for holding our Fall Sessions, and the time, Thursday before the second Sabbath in October (12th) 1876, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Place & time of Fall Sessions.

Reports from Sessions. The second order of the day was taken up, when Reports from Church Sessions were heard.

Pending these exercises Presbytery took a recess for ten minutes.

Sermon by McGilvary. After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to hear the trial sermon of Mr. William M. McGilvary on the text previously assigned, 1 Cor. 6:20. which was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial.

Presbytery resumed the unfinished business.

On motion, an opportunity was given to every member to make additional statements verbally.

Record app.: The Committee to whom the Records of Antioch and Ashpole had been referred, reported, recommending their approval, which was adopted.

A communication from Floral College, extending to the members an invitation to attend a musical

entertainment in the School Room this evening at 8 o'clock, was received and read and the courtesy duly acknowledged.

Records approved. The Records of Lumber-Bridge, Carthage, Buffalo, Centre, Big-Rockfish, with exceptions, Sharon, Lowe, Laurel Hill, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Lumberton, Lexington, Union, Philadelphus, Mt. Tabor, Bluff, Bur-Salem, Bethesda, St. Paul's, and Bethel were approved.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

John Caldwell obtained leave of absence after to-day.

Churches excused. The following churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our last meeting, viz: Centre, Galatia, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, Marks Creek, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, Salem, Smyrna, Tirzah & McPheeters.

Rev. A. McMillan was relieved from serving on the Committee to examine the Sessional Records of Galatia Church, and Rev. Neill McKay D.D. was appointed in his place.

F. Missions. Your Agent would respectfully Report to Presbytery, that there has been no great change in our Missionary field since our last report.

The missionary operations of our Zion are undergoing the various vicissitudes to which such work is always subject. A year ago, we reported seventy labourers in the Foreign field, 27 ordained missionaries and 43 assistant missionaries.

Continued. But this number has been diminished rather than increased, during the past year. Rev. G. W. Leyburn, who had laboured many years in Greece, has been removed by the hand of death, to his reward.

Mrs Graybill, of the Mataamoras Mission, has departed to be with Christ, which is far better, and Rev. Mr. Valentine, who has laboured over 25 years among the Indians, has been removed from his trials on Earth to that rest that remaineth for the people of God. While four others were compelled, by failing health, to withdraw for a time from the field.

Rev. L. W. Currie, a native, and formerly a Licentiate of this Presbytery, who is now labouring in Spencer Academy, is the only labourer sent out to fill the vacancies caused by these removals. Not because there were no more labourers ready and willing to go, but because there were no funds in the Treasury to send and support them.

This is a sad Commentary upon the liberality of our one hundred thousand of the professed followers of Jesus Christ, who gave His own life to redeem them from eternal death.

But while we would mourn our losses and want of liberality, still we would record our humble gratitude to God, that most of our Missionaries have been permitted to prosecute their work with encouraging success, and our financial condition is better than it was a year ago. The large debt of last year has been

gradually reduced, and there has been a more commendable liberality shown by God's people.

Our own Presbytery has participated in this improved spirit of liberality. A year ago we reported $446.97. as the aggregate amount from Churches and Sabbath-Schools. This year we report $972.45. more than double the amount contributed any previous year.

We are glad to report the organization of several Female Missionary Societies, and we hope the good will go on till all our Christian ladies, old and young, will be engaged in the good work of sending the glad tidings of salvation to the perishing nations of the earth.

Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. M. McLaren Agent.

This report was adopted.

Commissioners to Gen. Assembly.

Commissioners to the General Assembly.

Presbytery proceeded to appoint Commissioners to the General Assembly, to meet in Savannah, Geo. May 18th. 1876, when Rev. K. M. McIntyre was chosen Principal and Rev. A. McLaren, alternate; and D. C. McIntyre, Ruling Elder, Bow Church, Principal, and Dr. D. N. Patterson, Ruling Elder, Pee Dee Church, alternate.

Historical Sketches.

Rev. K. M. McIntyre was appointed to write a historical sketch of Sharon Church, and Rev. A. N. Ferguson a similar sketch of Laurel Hill Church.

E. M. Munroe.

Presbytery heard the trial sermon of E. Murshal Munroe on John 3:7.

Standing Rule.

On motion it was Resolved, That it be a Standing Rule, that the roll be called for an expression of opinion with reference to trial sermons; whereupon the roll was called, and after remarks, the sermon just heard was sustained as satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

Order of the day.

It was made the order of the day for half past 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow to hear the trial sermon of C. A. Munroe, and for half past 11. A.M. the trial sermon of Angus McDonald. For 10. o'clock Saturday morning to hear Rev. H. H. Banks, Agent of Davidson College. It was made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon to hear the trial sermon of Dougald Munroe.

The Candidates for licensure were directed to hand in their trial pieces—Latin Exercises and Critical Exercises—to the proper Committees.

J. E. Elliott obtained leave of absence after to-day.

Hebrew.

Rev. K. M. McIntyre was placed on the Committee on Hebrew to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. M. McNair.

The Finance Committee made report, that they have examined the Treasurer's Report and find it correct. They recommend that the Treasurer be directed hereafter to send up to Presbytery at every spring meeting his books and vouchers as well as his account.

Respectfully submitted.

G. P. McNeill Treas.

This report was adopted. Mr. George P. McNeill was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the ensuing year.

Resolutions to be record.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish in the North Carolina Presbyterian all resolutions adopted at this meeting of Presbytery and required to be read before the Congregations.

Manual & Standing Rules.

Resolved, That the further consideration of this report,—Manual and Standing Rules— be deferred till the next meeting of Presbytery, and that the Committee on the Manual be directed, if it can be done without expense to Presbytery, to have the plan of Manual and Standing Rules printed and laid before the members of Presbytery.

Referred back to Committee.

The Stated Clerk's receipt filed in the hands of Rev. William S. Lacy, Chairman of this Committee, the above named papers.

Records approved.

The Sessional Records of Fayetteville, Flat Branch and Euphronia Churches were approved.

Mr. D. McLauchlin obtained leave of absence.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, April 21st 1876.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

N. C. Presbyterian.

Mr. John McLaurin, Business Agent of the North Carolina Presbyterian, was, on motion, heard as to the interests of that Journal: Whereupon it was

Resolved, That the Presbytery expresses its appreciation of the North Carolina Presbyterian, as a means of Evangelization, and recommends it to the people within our

bounds to be faithful to their obligations to that paper, and to use their best endeavours for increasing its circulation.

Concluded.

Committee on Records of Galatia Church reported, recommending their approval, which was adopted.

Report on Statistics.

Statistical Reports:

The Committee appointed to examine the Statistical Reports from Church Sessions presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and ordered to be published in the North Carolina Presbyterian. It is as follows, viz:

The Committee appointed to examine the Statistical Reports from the Churches, would respectfully report:

1st That of our forty-eight Churches, thirty six sent Statistical Reports to Presbytery. Some twelve, or one fourth of our entire number, are have no reports to return. It is proper to say, however, that with the exception of three or four of these they are the feblest Churches of Presbytery, and some are unsupplied. The following Churches sent no reports— McPherson's, Marks Creek, Sardis, St. Andrews, Barbecue, Mt. Pisgah, Harmony, China Grove, Long Street, Bethlehem, Rockingham and Mizpah.

2nd. The following Churches sent complete reports: Antioch, Lumber-Bridge, Bethel, Laurel Hill, Buffalo, Euphronia, Ashpole, Iona and Bluff— 9.

3rd. The following Churches sent complete reports with the one exception, that there is no report of the number of baptized no communicants; Centre, St. Paul's, Big-Rockfish, Laurinburgh, Fayetteville, Montpelier, Smyrna, Mineral Spring, Pee Dee, and Macedonia — 10.

Continued. 4th. The following Churches sent incomplete reports in specifications mentioned: 1. Philadelphia, no collection for Publication; Galatia, no collection for Evangelistic, or Invalid Fund; 3. Salem, no collection for Invalid Fund; Tirza, no report of Baptized non Communicants, or of Collections for Presbyterial, or Pastor's salary; 5. Bethsda, no collections for Evangelistic Fund or Publication; 6. Union, no report of Baptized non-Communicants, and no collections for Evangelistic Fund or Publication; 7. Carthage, the same, and also no collection for Invalid Fund; 8. and 9. Sherrood and Mt. Tabor, no report of Baptized non-Communicants, and no collections for Sustentation, Evangelistic Fund; 10. Ben-Salem, no collections for Sustentation, Evangelistic Fund, Invalid Fund, Education or Publication; 11. Hadar, no report of Pastor's salary paid, or number of Baptized non-Communicants; 12. Lebanon, no report of Baptized non Communicants, and no collections for Evangelistic Fund, Invalid Fund, Education, or Publication; 13. Lumberton, no collection for Evangelistic Fund; 14 and 15. Cypress & Flat Branch, no report of Baptized non-Communicants, and no report of collections for any object, except Presbyterial Assessment and Pastor's salary; 16. Sandy Grove, no report of Baptized non Communicants, and no collections for Evangelistic Fund, Invalid Fund, Education, or for Presbyterial Assessment, or Pastor's salary; 17. Mt. Carmel,

no collections for Evangelistic Fund, Education, Publication, or for Pastor's salary.

5. The following Churches made their report in pencil: Salem, Tirza, Laurinburgh, Ben-Salem, Lebanon and Cypress, and Bluff in part.

We would that the Presbytery enjoin upon all the Church-Sessions to take all pains to make the Sessional Reports as full, accurate and complete as possible; and would call the attention of the Presbytery to Minutes of General Assembly 1875. page 40. Respectfully submitted.

Concluded.

Sermon C. A. Munroe.

The first order of the day was taken up, when Presbytery proceeded to hear the trial sermon of Colin A. Munroe on the text previously assigned, 2nd Timothy 3:16,17. Thereupon the roll was called, and after an expression of opinions, the sermon was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial.

Presbytery took recess for five minutes.

Sermon A. McDonald.

After recess Presbytery met and took up the second order of the day, viz: hearing the trial sermon of Angus McDonald on the text previously assigned, Romans 5:1. After sermon the roll was called for an expression of opinions, when the sermon was sustained as a satisfactory part of trial.

Minutes of Synod.

The Committee on the Minutes of Synod reported which was accepted, and, on motion, the resolutions appended thereto were taken up seriatim, when the first resolution was adopted after amendment.

Presbytery took recess for one hour.

Sermon D. Munroe.

After recess Presbytery met and took up the order of the day for this afternoon, when Dugald Munroe preached a trial sermon on the text previously assigned him John 3: 14, 15.

The roll was called, and the sermon sustained.

Leave of absence.

D. J. McDonald, D. A. Malloy, H. H. Headgin, Rev. K. M. McIntyre, J. B. Graham, Milton McIntosh and J. M. N. Clark obtained leave of absence after to-day.

Mt. Carmel $3.00.

On motion, the assessment on Mt. Carmel Church for the Presbyterial Fund was reduced from $5.00 to $3.00.

Exegeses Critical Exercises approved.

The Committee on Languages reported, that they had examined the Latin Exegeses and Critical Exercises of our candidates for Licensure, viz: Dugald Munroe, Colin A. Munroe, E. Marshall Munroe, William M. McGilvary and Angus McDonald, and recommended their approval as satisfactory parts of trial, which was adopted.

Bethesda.

By request, Carthage and Union Churches were permitted to grant to Bethesda Church one-fourth of the time of their Pastor, (Rev. M. McQueen.)

Mr. D. Davis obtained leave of absence.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday Morning, April 22nd 1876.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read & approved.

Rev. E. Anderson.

Rev. E. Anderson of the Presbytery of Tuscaloosa, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. H. H. Banks

The order of the day was taken up, when Rev. H. H. Banks, Financial Agent of Davidson College, addressed Presbytery on the interests of that Institution; whereupon the following paper was unanimously adopted:

D. College.

Resolved, That Presbytery has heard Rev. H. H. Banks, Financial with much pleasure in connection with the interests of Davidson College; that they rejoice in the continued literary efficiency of this Institution and happy moral and spiritual influence it has exerted and is still exerting upon those under its care, and hereby cordially commend this Institution to the love, prayers, and financial support of our people.

Report of Treas. pro tem.

The Treasurer pro tem. presented his report, which was accepted and he was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands to Rev. H. T. Hill. [This report will appear in the Appendix.]

Rev. D. D. McBryde.

Rev. D. D. McBryde appeared in Presbytery and tendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Minutes of Synod.

The unfinished business, viz: the report of the Committee on the Minutes of Synod, was taken up, when the second and third resolutions were amended and adopted, as follow: The Committee on the Minutes of Synod report, that they have examined the same and find nothing claiming the special attention of this Presbytery, except certain recommendations concerning beneficiary education on page 22nd. On this subject your Committee offer the following resolutions, viz: Resolved 1st That this Presbytery is not prepared to sever its connection with the Central agency of the Church; but respectfully recommend that the

Continued. Executive Committee of Education be reduced from Eleven to two members.

Resolved, 2nd. That the appropriations to Candidates should be in the form of loans, at least, so far as such appropriations are made for School & College expenses.

Resolved, 3rd. That contributions for the cause of Education ought to be made for the benefit of Candidates as such, without regard to their real or supposed pecuniary circumstances.

Resolved 4th. That our Commissioners are requested to use their influence to secure the modification of the Educational policy of our Church.

Concluded. This report was then adopted as a whole.

Church Registers. Resolved, That it be enjoined upon the Sessions of our Churches hereafter to observe the rule of our Book in Chapter 1. Section 9. viz: "That every Church Session in our bounds, keep a fair Register of Marriages and of Baptisms, with the times of the birth of the individuals baptized, of persons admitted to the Lord's Table, and of the deaths and other removals of Church members."

2nd That these resolutions pass an annual review with other records of the sessions.

Supplies granted. Shiloh Church was permitted to employ Rev. Joseph Evans on forenoon of every third Sabbath on a salary of $250. and Mt. Tabor Church for the afternoon of every third Sabbath on a salary of $100.

Scottsville Bridge, Galatia and McPherson's were permitted to employ Rev. J. P. McPherson, each one third of his time and each paying one third of $800.

Candidates examined. Presbytery proceeded to examine Colin A. Munroe, Dugald Munroe, E. Marshall Munroe, William M. McGilvary and Angus McDonald on Theology, Natural and revealed, Church History, Church Government and the Sacraments, which examinations were

Sustained. sustained as satisfactory parts of trial for Licensure.

Leave of absence. Rev. Neill McKay D.D. and Rev. Joseph Evans obtained leave of absence after this evening.

Lectures. Presbytery proceeded to hear the Lectures of Dugald Munroe, on 23rd Psalm; Colin A. Munroe, on Luke 16; 19–31; William M. McGilvary on 1st Psalm; Angus McDonald on Psalm 125. E. Marshall Munroe on Psalm 3rd; when, on motion, all these Lectures were sustained as satisfactory parts of trial.

Hebrew. The Committee on Hebrew reported, that they had examined the above named young men on the Hebrew language and recommended that it be sustained, which was adopted.

Sustained. On motion, the trial pieces and examinations of the same were sustained as a whole.

Licensure. Whereupon the Presbytery did, according to custom of Government, Chapter 14. Sections 7 and 8, proceed to License, as Probationers for the holy Ministry, Colin A. Munroe, Dugald Munroe, E. Marshall Munroe, William M. McGilvary and Angus McDonald, and the stated Clerk placed in the hands of these young brethren a copy of his license duly attested.

Dismissed. On motion, the following young brethren were dismissed at their own request: Mr. Angus McDonald to find himself under the care of the Presbytery of Louisville, Ky.;

and Mr. Dougald Munroe to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Knoxville Tenn.

Mr. William M. McGilvary was, on motion, permitted to labour without our bounds.

Ladies Societies &c. The following resolution was adopted, viz:

The Sustentation Committee, to whom was referred the Circular addressed to our Presbytery at this meeting by the Assembly's Secretaries of Sustentation, in accordance with the suggestions of that circular, recommend that our Ministers and Sessions encourage our Ladies' Societies and Sabbath-Schools to make regular contributions to all the benevolent enterprises of the Assembly.

H. G. Hill Chairman.

Leave of Ab. Rev. Martin McLean and M. G. McKenzie obtained leave of absence.

Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

Leave of Ab. After recess Presbytery met, when J. D. McNeill and J. D. McLeod were granted leave of absence.

Churches Supplied. Bethel Church was permitted to employ Rev. J. H. Cobb one half of his time in the foreign on a salary of $350, and Lawrenburgh Church one half of his time on a salary of $500.

Lebanon Church was permitted to employ Mr. David A. McRae one of our licentiates, one half of his time on a salary of $300 per annum.

Narrative. The Narrative to the General Assembly was read and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the Assembly.

Narrative. The Presbytery of Fayetteville, in making its annual Report to the General Assembly, on the state of Religion within its bounds, would record its gratitude to Almighty God for the measure of usefulness and prosperity granted, amidst many difficulties and discouragements.

A survey of our field presents a chequered scene. Reports from thirty-six of our forty-eight Churches record some things that are hopeful and cheering interspersed with much that is disheartening.

Owing to the unprecedented monetary stringency, but very few of our Churches report their Pastors salaries paid in full. And it is believed that the contributions to the benevolent enterprises of the Church have, for a like reason, fallen short, not merely of our duty, but of what has been reported in previous years.

In many of our Churches there is a sad delinquency in this respect. Nor has there been any great or general refreshing in our bounds; weekly prayer meetings are maintained in but few of our Churches, nor is the monthly concert of prayer generally observed.

On the other hand it gives us pleasure to record increased attention to and attendance upon the means of Grace. There has been an aggregate addition of more than an hundred and fifty souls, and some of our weaker Churches have been much strengthened.

Owing to the compactness of the Presbytery there is but little missionary working in our bounds; but we are glad to report, that our settled pastors and supplies do much Evangelistic work, and make systematic

Continued. attempts to overtake our destitutions and supply adjacent calling districts. Though there may be a falling off in the aggregate of Contributions to all objects, there is a deepened interest felt in Foreign Missions and more given than in any previous year for the spread of the Gospel abroad, and in addition in many of our Churches, Ladies' Missionary Societies have been organized, which we cannot but hope will be productive of Good. There has also been a great advance in the attention given to Sabbath-Schools and Bible Classes, and the religious training of the young.- The Children too are engaged with growing interest in the benevolent operations of the Church, and especially of Foreign Missions.

It is believed there has been more preaching to the Coloured people and greater efforts made for their Evangelization than heretofore.

The review therefore is one of mingled encouragement and sorrow. The present aspect is one of expectancy and hope. There is a promise of Good in the desire and prayer for blessing. We mention with profound gratitude, that no one has been removed by death. That our Ministers have generally been fully engaged in the work of the Ministry; that nearly all our Churches have the stated means of grace, though some with sad infrequency; that the present attitude is one of readiness to meet duty, and of hopeful waiting; and that the Presbytery licensed five young brethren as probationers

for the holy Ministry. Deploring past inefficiency and failure, we feel that we have reason to "thank God and take courage". We wait upon God — our expectation only is from Him.

Respectfully submitted.

Systematic Beneficence. The report on Systematic Beneficence was presented & approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded. (See Appendix)

Sabbath Schools. The report on Sabbath Schools was likewise approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the Assembly. (See Appendix) It was ordered that only totals of this report be published.

Supply granted. Montpelier Church was permitted to employ Rev. J. H. Cable one-half of his time in the afternoon on a salary of $300.

Supplies. Supplies to vacant Churches reported, when it appeared that appointments had been generally filled.

Orders on Treasurer. The Stated Clerk was directed to give the following orders on the Treasurer, viz:

1. To each of our Commissioners to the General Assembly $25.00.
2. An order for the Treasurer of Synod for $80.00.
3. An order for the Assessment of General Assembly for $90.00.

C. A. Munroe. A Communication endorsed by the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Knoxville, Tenn. asking for the services of our Licentiate, Mr. Colin A. Munroe, was read, & after some discussion, Presbytery declined placing said call in his hands.

Report on Min. G. Ass. The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report, viz:

1st Your Committee would call your attention to the report of the Standing Committee of the Assembly

Report on Min. S. Ass.

found on pages 39 and 40, Resolutions 3rd and 5th which are as follow:

"3rd. The Assembly solemnly enjoins the Presbyteries to require of the Church Sessions, in case of failure to take up any one of the Collections ordered, to report in writing the reason thereof, upon the validity of which the Presbytery shall pass judgment, approving or disapproving, as the case may be."

"And the Presbyteries shall state upon the face of their annual Reports on Systematic Beneficence, in regard to their Compliance with this injunction"

"5th In case any Presbytery fails to report on the subject of Systematic Beneficence, or to report in due and proper form, as ordered by the Assembly; or to report in regard to either of the requirements made in the above injunction; or if the report in the case of any Presbytery shows that it has not complied with the injunction first named, in section 3rd above, viz: in regard to the requirement from Church Sessions of the reasons for their failure in any case to give the people an opportunity to contribute, the Moderator of the Assembly shall thereupon appoint some member of said Presbytery as the Assembly's Commissioner thereto, to bring the failure to the attention of the Presbytery. And the Presbytery shall send up to the next Annual Assembly, along with its report on Systematic Beneficence, a statement of the reasons for said failure."

Your Committee would likewise call attention to the resolutions found in the report of the Standing Committee on Education, on pages 28 and 29.

Resolved, That this Presbytery will obey and carry out, as far as possible, the injunction of the Assembly in the above resolutions.

This report was adopted.

Concluded. Vote of thanks.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due and are hereby tendered to the members of Centre Congregation for the cordial hospitality extended to the members of Presbytery during the present sessions, and that the Pastor, Rev. Archibald Baker, be requested to read this resolution from the pulpit.

And also, that the thanks of Presbytery be tendered to the C.C. Railway for the courtesy of half fare tickets.

Annual Report.

The Annual Report was approved and ordered to be forwarded.

300 Copies to be published.

Three hundred copies of the Minutes of our present sessions were ordered to be published.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Bethel Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Thursday before the second Sabbath in October 1876, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Closed with singing, prayer and apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson
Stated Clerk.

Appendix.

Systematic Beneficence.

Systematic Beneficence.

32 Churches have contributed to Sustentation $208.45.
24. " " " " Evangelistic " 127.66.
29. " " " " Invalid Fund " 164.77.
35. " " " " Foreign Missions " 705.56.
31. " " " " Education " 293.88.
29. " " " " Publication " 173.88.
16. " " " " Miscellaneous " 449.93.
Total ——————— $. 2124.13.

The above figures are taken from the Annual Report made to the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted.

Report on S. Schools.

Report on Sabbath-Schools.

Number on Rolls – Teachers, 221. Scholars 1,501. Average attendance – Teachers 166. Scholars 1,078. Increase – Teachers, 13. Scholars 59. Decrease, Teachers 3. Scholars 54. Number added to Church – Teachers 6. Scholars 77. Amount contributed for your own school – $159.07. For Missionary purposes – $96.60.

Only Twenty-six of our forty-eight churches reported. The interest seems to be increasing. In imparting instruction the Standards of the Church, the Scriptures, the publications of our Committee and the international Lesson papers are used. The schools are generally under the care of the sessions, and separate services for children and youth are sometimes held by Pastors.

Respectfully submitted

William S. Lacy. Agent.

Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer's Report.

Sustentation. Sustentation – McPherson's $3.75. Long-street 10.00. Sandy Grove, 1.53. Bluff, 4.55. St. Paul's, 5.00. Bethlehem, 2.20. Philadelphus, 3.00. Lumberton, 8.25. St. Andrew's 5.00. McPherson's – additional, 5.25. Liza, 2.50. Laurel Hill 16.50. Smyrna, 6.00. Galatia, 2.90. Lumber-Bridge, 3.49. Bethesda, 3.90. Antioch, 3.00. Fayetteville, 11.50. Mineral Spring, 1.28. Lumberton, 3.55. Flat Branch, 1.00. Bon-Salem, 1.15. Mt. Pisgah 1.00. Salem, 2.00. = Total ——————— $109.10.
Remitted to Rev. R. McIlvaine ——— " 74.53.
Balance on hand ——————— " 34.57.

Education. Education – Long-street $10.00. Sandy Grove, 4.43. Laurel Hill, 18.30. Smyrna, 6.70. Bethel, 8.90. St. Andrew's, 10.00. Big-Rockfish, 10.00. Antioch, 5.00. Philadelphus, 2.00. Fayetteville, 11.10. Bluff, 4.50. Lumberton, 7.00. Mineral Spring, 1.75. Sharon, 1.75. Lumber Bridge, 3.00. Bluff. 7.50. Bethesda, 3.00. Union, 5.25. St. Paul's, 15.00. Buffalo, 19.00. McPherson's, 4.35. Galatia, 3.61. Liza, 3.50. Flat Branch, 1.03. Bon-Salem, 2.00. Mt. Pisgah, 2.00. Liza, 2.00. Total ——— $172.67.
Remitted to A. F. Dodd, Treasurer " 165.64.
Balance on hand ——————— 7.03.

Invalid Fund. Invalid Fund – Sardis, 13.18. Big-Rockfish, 10.00. Long-Street, 5.70. Lumber-Bridge, 1.45. Bethel, 2.50. McPherson's 9.23. Sharon, 1.25. Laurel Hill, 8.70. Smyrna, 5.00. Bluff, 8.00. St. Paul's, 15.00. Buffalo, 14.00. Mt. Pisgah, 2.00. Liza 1.00. Total $. 93.01.
Remitted to Rev R. McIlvaine Treasurer " 90.01.
Balance on hand $. 3.00.

Evangelistic, Evangelistic – Sardis, 6.80, St. Andrew's, 5.00, Leamha Bridge, 5.58. Bethel, 2.50. Fayetteville, 12.25. Shiloh, 2.00. Laurel Hill, (Colored Congregation,) 8.50. Bluff, 8.02. St. Paul's, 5.00. Buffalo, 17.00. Mineral Spring, 2.29. Flat Branch, 3.25. Ben-Salem, 2.00. Mt. Pisgah 1.00. Tirza 1.00.

Total ——— $82.19.

Remitted to Rev. R. McIlraino, Treasurer. 74.94.

Balance on hand ——— 7.25.

F. Missions, Foreign Missions – Sardis $23.62. Mt. Pisgah's, 7.00. Long-Street, 10.00. Leamha-Bridge, 2.55. Bethel, 5.00. Presbyterial Collection, 28.16. Fayetteville, 53.41. Galatia, 2.85. Flat Branch, 1.60. Ben-Salem, 3.50. Mt. Pisgah, 4.00. Tirza 2.00. Total ——— $143.69.

Remitted to Rev. R. McIlraino Treas. 129.74.

Balance on hand ——— 13.95.

Colportage, Colportage – Bethlehem $2.95. Fayetteville, 4.25. Euphronia, 6.00. Received of late Treasurer, 49.17. Total ——— $62.37.

Amount on hand ——— 62.37.

Publication, Publication – Long-Street, $5.00. Sandy Grove, 2.05. Laurel Hill, 16.00. Smyrna, 4.60. Antioch 3.00. Mineral Spring, 1.28. Laurel Hill, 11.00. Smyrna, 4.40. Galatia, 3.90. St. Andrew's, 4.00. Lumberton, 4.19. Leamha-Bridge, 3.67. Tirza, 2.00. Salem, 2.00.

Total ——— $67.09.

Remitted to Charles Bennett, Treas. 59.42.

Balance on hand ——— 7.67.

Respectfully Submitted, Geo. P. McNeill
April 10th 1876. Treasurer of Presbytery.

The following has been received since April 10th to which date this report extends: From Bethel Church, for Presbyterial $12.00. Publication, 1.50. Sustentation 2.00. From Sardis Church, Evangelistic Fund, $17.94. Education, 13.11. Sustentation, 17.83. Publication, 9.01.

Total ——— $73.39.

Presbyterial, Presbyterial – For year ending April 10th 1876.

Ashpole, $35.00. Barbacoe, 9.60. Bethel 10.00. Bethesda, 12.00. Ben-Salem, 10.00. Bluff, 5.40. Big Rockfish, 15.00. Buffalo, 30.00. Carthage, 10.00. Euphronia, 12.00. Fayetteville, 16.00. Flat Branch, 3.00. Iona, 10.00. Laurel Hill, 20.00. Laurinburgh, 10.90. Long-Street, 15.00. Macedonia, 5.00. Mineral Spring, 10.00. Mt. Carmel, 5.50. Mt. Pisgah, 6.00. Montpelier, 3.00. Mt. Tabor, 5.00. Pee Dee, 10.00. Philadelphus, 8.75. Salem, 3.00. Sardis, 10.00. Sandy Grove, 15.00. Shiloh, 6.00. Smyrna, 16.00. St. Paul's, 27.00. Shorewood, 8.00. Union, 13.50. Cypress, 9.50. Bethlehem, 3.00. Fayetteville, 32.00. Euphronia, 12.00. Total ——— $431.05.

Disbursements. – S. C. Presbyterian, printing Minutes $49.81.

Rev. H. G. Hill, Commissioner to G. Ass. 62.50.

J. D. McIver " " " — 62.50.

Assessment of General Assembly — 30.00

S. C. Presbyterian, printing Minutes — 69.22.

Salary of Stated Clerk to October — 25.00.

Rev. H. G. Hill, order for expenses — 5.50.

E. J. Heald & Son, Stationery ——— 4.25.

200. Postal Cards, & printing same 3.25.

Treasurer's Salary to October 1875. 12.50.

Centre.

Jesse H. Lindsey, Treasurer of Synod, (Balance on 1874) $40,00
Rev J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk, Stationery — " 5,00.
" " " " " Salary — " 25,00
Collected — $431,05. $394,53.
Disbursed — 394,53.
Balance on hand 36,52.

Report of Treas. pro tem.

Report of Treasurer pro tem.

Sustentation — Sustentation — Iona, $1,00, Union, 6,78, Montpelier 1,00, Carthage, 5,00, Rockfish, 1,00, Mt. Carmel, 50 cts, Libanon, 1,85. Pee Dee, 2,00, Macedonia, 1,25. Sharon, 1,00. Total $21,38.

Evangelistic — Evangelistic — Iona, 1,00, Montpelier, 1,00, Rockfish, 2,00, Mt. Carmel, 55 cts, Pee Dee, 2,00, Macedonia, 1,00, Total $7,55.

Invalid F. — Invalid Fund — Lumberton, 1,00, Iona, 1,00, Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Tabor, 1,00, Sharon, 1,00, Pee Dee, 3,10, Macedonia, 65 cts — Total — $8,75.

F. Missions — Foreign Missions — Iona, 1,00. Montpelier, 2,00. St. Paul's, 10,00, Mt. Tabor, 1,00, Sharon, 1,00, Mt. Carmel, 3,25. Libanon, 3,60. Total — $21,85.

Education — Education — Iona, 1,00, Montpelier, 1,00, Carthage, 10,00, Mt. Tabor, 1,00, Sharon, 1,00, Pee Dee, 4,00, Macedonia, 1,00. — Total — $19,00.

Publication — Publication — Iona, 1,00, Montpelier, 1,00, Carthage, 5,00, St. Paul's, 1,00, Mt. Tabor, 1,00, Sharon, 1,00, Rockfish, 3,00, Libanon, 85 cts, Pee Dee, 3,25, Macedonia 75 cts, Sharon, 1,25. Total — $19,40.

Presbyterial — Presbyterial — Lumberton, 14,50, Ashpole, 9,60, Iona, 8,00, Union, 24,00, Montpelier 3,00, Carthage, 15,50, Bethesda, 12,00, Flat Branch, 3,00, St. Paul's, 18,00, Mt. Tabor, 5,00, Sharon, 8,00, Rockfish, 15,00,

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 18 Ministers, and has under its care 48 Churches, 4 Licentiates, and 2 Candidates, viz:

Ministers, Licentiates, and Candidates.	Post Offices.	Churches.	Officers. Elders.	Officers. Deacons.	Communicants. Added on Examination.	Communicants. Added on Certificate.	Communicants. Total of Communicants.	Baptized. Adult.	Baptized. Infant.	Baptized. No. of Baptised Non-Communi'cts.	Children in Sabbath School & Bible Classes	Funds Collected. Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	For'n Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries Actually Paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P.	6	12	1	...	137	...	12	96	39	$ 3 00	$ 3 05	$ 5 20	$16 05	$ 5 17	$ 3 08	$10 00	$ 71 50	...	$ 7 85
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James P. McPherson, S. S.	Laurinburgh, "	McPherson, S. S.	4	4	3	5	79	1	2	44	38	5 25	5 70	3 50	7 05	4 32	5 73	10 00	208 00	17 83	...
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James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station, "	Bethesda, S. S.	5	2	3	...	98	...	5	45	26	3 90	...	6 15	16 35	2 75	...	12 00	187 70	...	...
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Joseph Evans, P.	St. Paul's, "	Harmony, "	...	...	...	...	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh, "	Laurinburgh, S. S.	6	3	22	1	77	...	9	...	25	9 21	4 68	7 65	15 34	15 58	2 05	10 00	475 00	40 00	...
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H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville, "	Fayetteville, P.	6	6	3	6	178	2	6	...	180	11 50	13 25	19 55	93 00	66 45	4 35	48 00	1250 00	372 74	21 00
David Fairley, P.	Manchester, "	China Grove, P.	...	...	...	...	82	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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T. L. DeVeaux, Ed. N.C.P.	Wilmington, "																				
A. N. Ferguson, P.	Laurinburg, "	Laurel Hill, P.	5	5	30	1	148	4	7	40	...	26 80	16 85	17 25	19 00	18 35	41 00	18 00	328 00	11 50	23 30
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William S. Lacy, P.	Jonesboro, "	Buffalo, P.	12	8	12	12	245	2	14	90	298	17 00	17 00	14 00	99 00	19 00	9 00	30 00	750 00	...	...
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Licensures, 5; Ordinations, none; Installations, none; Pastoral Relations dissolved, none; Churches organized, none; Churches dissolved, none; Churches received from other denominations, none; Churches dismissed to other denominations, none; Ministers received from other denominations, none; Ministers dismissed to other denominations, none.

By order of the Presbytery,

Centre Church, Robeson County, N. C., April 22nd, 1876.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Report of Treas. pro tem.

Constitution,

Evangelistic

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F. Missions.

Education,

Publication

Sunday School.

Salem, 5.00. Lumber Bridge, 10.00. Smyrna, 16.00. Buffalo, 30.00. Ben-Salem, 5.00. Antioch, 10.75. Philadelphus, 3.75. Laurinburgh, 10.00. Mt. Carmel, 4.50. Sardis, 8.00. Mineral Spring, 10.00. Sandy Grove, 6.05. Pee Dee, 10.00. Macedonia, 5.00. Shiloh, 6.00. Laurel Hill, 20.00. Total ..... $295.65.

Annual Report - Sunday School.

One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh Sessions.

Bethel Church, Robeson County, N.C.
October 5th 1876.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by the Moderator Rev. Archibald McQueen from Galatians 2:20, the last clause, "And the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."

After sermon, the Moderator took the chair and constituted the session with prayer.

Present. Ministers - Rev. Mr. McLean, G. P. McPherson, Archibald Baker, A. McMillan, D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, Archibald McQueen, H. G. Hills, A. A. Ferguson and H. M. McInlyre.

Churches represented - Bethel, Philip McRae; Bethesda, D. C. Blue; Centre, Gilbert Pattison; Flat Branch, Hugh Black; Galatia, Alexander Leach; Fairmeadow, D. P. McKinnon; Long Street, Duncan Brown; Mt. Pisgah, L. McNeill; Mt. Carmel, N. J. McLeod; Philadelphus, Daniel McCallum; Red Grove, Archibald McLeod; Shiloh, Duncan Davis and Union R. D. Rowan.

Elders - Hill McKay, D.D. Joseph Evans, James McLean, [illegible] Bowden, J. H. Cobb, R. Fairley, D. D. Williams and [illegible].

Churches represented - Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bonsalem, Bluff, Big Rockfish, Buffalo, China Grove, Cypress, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, McPherson's, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's and Tirzah.

Moderator & Clerks. Rev. Archibald Baker was chosen Moderator and Rev. D. D. McBryde and Mr. Gilbert Pattison temporary clerks.

Presbytery took recess for half an hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business. On motion, the reading of the Minutes of last sessions was dispensed with.

Committees Announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Religious Exercises - Rev. A. A. Ferguson & Philip McRae.

Minutes of General Assembly - Rev. Messrs H. G. and D. D. McBryde, and Gilbert Pattison.

Narrative to Synod - Rev. H. M. McInlyre.

Treasurer pro. tem. - Rev. Joseph Evans.

Members Appear. The following Ministers and Ruling Elders appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz; Rev. James McLean, and for absence at last meeting; Rev. D. Fairley, and for absence at last meeting; David Parish, Elder from St. Andrews and F. R. McDiarmid, Elder from China Grove.

Lumberton & C. A. Memorial. A communication from the session of Lumberton Church requesting the ordination of Licentiate, Mr. C. A. Monroe as an Evangelist, was read and referred to the following Committee, viz. Messrs D. D. McBryde and M. McLean and Daniel McCallum.

Davidson College.

The Stated Clerk presented and read the Report of the Trustees of Davidson College, which was accepted and ordered to be placed in the archives.

Book of Ch. Order.

"The Book of Church Order" sent down by the General Assembly was referred to a Special Committee to report thereon, if practicable, at our present Sessions, consisting of Rev. Messrs H. G. Neill, A. A. Ferguson and M. McLean, with Ruling Elders D. McCallum and Archibald McLeod.

Rev. W. S. Lacy.

Rev. William S. Lacy appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Place & time for next meeting.

Presbytery proceeded to select the place and fix the time for holding our Spring Sessions; when Bluff Church, Cumberland County, N.C. was unanimously chosen as the place, and Thursday before the fourth Sabbath (19th) of April 1877, as the time, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Free Conversation.

Free Conversation on the State of Religion was made the order of the day for ten o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

The Treas. & Book-keeper's accts. examined.

The Treasurer's Book and vouchers were presented and referred to a special Auditing Committee consisting of Rev. Joseph Evans and Messrs A. K. McDiarmid and Gilbert Robinson.

Foreign Missions.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McLean, was accepted, and on motion to adopt, after some remarks, it was deferred for final action and made the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Christian Amusements.

The following Preamble & Resolutions were adopted:-

Whereas, it is the clear teaching of the Bible, as interpreted by our highest Judicatory, that it is as much a Christian's duty to worship God with his substance as with his voice to give as to pray; and whereas, we have members in all our Churches who never give any thing for the support of the Gospel at home or abroad; therefore—

Resolved, That it be made the duty of the Deacons to report delinquent members to the Sessions, who have failed for more than twelve mos. this to honour the Lord with their substance.

Resolved, That the Session be required to cite such delinquent members to appear before it; and if they can give no adequate reason for the neglect of this Christian duty, and persist in the neglect of it, the Session shall shall administer such discipline as the case may require.

Resolved, That pastors and stated supplies be required to read this paper from their pulpits, and the Stated Clerk place it on the docket of each Spring meeting of Presbytery.

Concluded.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part, which was accepted.

Death of Rev. T. L. Dell.

Death of Rev. Thomas L. Dellinger.

The Stated Clerk solemnly announced the death of Rev. Thomas L. Dellinger, a beloved brother, and talented Editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian, on the 23rd day of May 1876; whereupon the following Committee was appointed to prepare a suitable biographical sketch of his life and labours, &c.

Rev. Messrs Archibald Baker, William S. Lacy and David Bailey.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Bethel Church, October 6th, 1876.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

D. McKenzie. Mr. D. McKenzie, Ruling Elder from Mineral Spring Church appeared, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Free Conversation. Presbytery took up the order of the day for this hour, Free Conversation on the State of Religion, when verbal reports were made.

Members appear. Pending these exercises, Rev. John K. Cobb, and Ruling Elders, John McFadyen, Big Rockfish, John McNeill, Laurel Hill, Walter J. Smith, Bluff, A. S. Baker, Lebanon, and A. R. McDonald, Lumber Bridge, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Petition for Church organization. A petition praying for the organization of a Church at the village of Manchester, Cumberland County, N.C., was read, and, on motion, granted; whereupon the following Committee was appointed to organize said Church, if they may be clear so: Rev. Messrs K. G. Hill, William S. Lacy and Mr. James E. Hodges.

On motion, Rev. John K. Cobb was appointed

Chairman of the Committee on Religious Exercises.

New Treas. pro tem. Rev. Joseph Evans, Treasurer pro tem, was excused from serving, and A. K. McDiarmid Esq. was appointed in his place.

Presbytery took recess for five minutes.

Mr. C. A. Monroe. After recess Presbytery met, when the Committee to whom had been referred the application of the Lumberton Church for the ordination of Mr. C. A. Monroe, as an Evangelist, submitted their report, which was adopted:

Report. The Committee to whom was referred the application from Lumberton Church for the ordination of Mr. C. A. Monroe would report: That as it is understood a call from [illegible] a Church within this State will be presented for the services of Mr. Monroe, at the adjourned meeting of Presbytery during the sessions of Synod which will determine his future field of labor — we would therefore recommend that the question of ordination be left open until the question of his future field of labor is determined by Presbytery.

Manual and Standing Rules.

Manual and Standing Rules. Rev. William S. Lacy, Chairman of the Committee on Manual and Standing Rules presented his report, which was accepted, amended and adopted, first seriatim and afterwards as a whole, and Rev. William S. Lacy and K. G. Hill with Elder Wander McGilvary were appointed a Committee to have the same published,

Concluded. as soon as subscribers enough are obtained to justify the same.

[As soon as said Manual and Standing Rules come into my hands they will be incorporated with the Minutes in our Book of Records.]

Leave of absence. Pending the reading of the above report leave of absence was granted to Rev. Archibald Baxter until to-morrow morning, Rev. A. N. Ferguson, after this evening, Rev. James McLaren and Elder David Parish after this evening, and Rev. D. D. McKayda during afternoon session.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part. On motion, Rev. William S. Lacy was substituted in place of Rev. A. N. Ferguson on the Committee on the Book of Church Order.

Presbytery receded from business for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, Rev. A. McLaren, the last Moderator present, in the Chair and Rev. J. H. Cable acting as Clerk in place of Rev. D. D. McKayda.

Foreign Missions. The order of the day for this hour, viz: Foreign Missions, was taken up, when several addresses were made and a collection raised amounting to $18.96, which was ordered to be paid over to the Treasurer pro tem, Mr. A. R. McDiarmid.

Collected.

The motion to adopt said report was then carried. It is as follows, viz:

Your Agent for Foreign Missions would respectfully report to Presbytery, that there has been but little progress made in this great work

Foreign Missions Continued. since our last report. Though God has signally blessed the labours of those who occupy the fields, the scarcity of funds has compelled our Committee to retrench and circumscribe the work. "Owing to this cause, the Committee has not been able to send out a single Missionary labourer for nearly eighteen months. During the same period nine labourers have removed from the field by death, by broken down constitutions, or by permanent withdrawal from the work." And others being under the accumulation of their labours are failing, and it is feared will soon have to follow them.

And while Ministers are ready and anxious to go, and re-enforce our Missionaries, there are no funds to send them. It was estimated by the Committee and approved by the Assembly, that it would require twenty five per cent. on the contributions of last year to carry on the work successfully this year. But there was a decrease of $3,544,28. in the contributions of the first four months of the current year. Last year our Presbytery reported from all sources, Churches, Ladies' Missionary Societies and Sabbath Schools an aggregate of $1,170,56. a much larger contribution than it had ever made in any previous year.

Since April, several of our Churches have contributed $269,56. Ladies Missionary Societies $160,25. Mission Schools $26. Individuals $10. Total $465,81. This leaves 31 of

are 48 Churches yet to report their contributions. We trust, that when the remaining Churches have reported, the amount will equal or exceed last year's contribution. Respectfully submitted,

Concluded.

M. McLean Agent.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence, after this evening, was granted to D. P. McKinnon, D. McCallum, Duncan Brown and Hugh Black.

Sustentation.

The Committee of sustentation submitted their report, which was accepted, amended and adopted.

The Sustentation Committee would report as follows, for the six months ending October 1st 1876.

1st As to Contributions to Sustentation.

During this period, according to the Treasurer's report, 14 Churches have contributed -- $45.81. Last year during the same time 12 Churches gave $50.50. This shows an increase of 2 Churches and a decrease of $4.69. For the year ending April 1st 1876, 32 Churches contributed to this object $153, this being only an average of 3/4 cents for communicant. The appropriation of $200, asked according to last Spring's report for Licentiate C. A. Munro to supply Rockingham church half the time has been fully paid.

2nd. As to Contributions to Evangelistic Fund.

For the time covered by this report, the Treasurer mentions 12 Churches as contributing to this object $51.52. Last year for the same period 5 Churches contributed $23.45.

Continued. This reveals an increase of 7 Churches and an increase of $28.07. For the year ending April 1st 1876, 16 Churches contributed to this object $85.39. This gives an average of 1 3/4 cents per Church member.

3rd. As to Contributions to Invalid Fund and appropriations asked. - For the first 6 months, the Treasurer reports 19 Churches as having contributed to this fund $63.87. Last year for the same time, 11 Churches gave $51.87. This shows an increase of 8 Churches and of $12.00. For the year ending April 1st 1876, 18 Churches gave to this fund $108.41. This being an average of about 2/3 cents for communicant. For the current year ending July 1st 1877, your Committee has asked the following appropriations:

For Mrs John M. Sherwood	$100.00.
For Miss Susan Hogshead	" 25.00.
Whole amount asked	$125.00.

4th - As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Bethlehem -	Rev. D. D. McBryde	one Sabbath	and Sacrament.
Mizpeh	" A. McMillan	"	"
Markis Creek -	" A. N. Ferguson	"	"
Long Street -	" K. G. Heile	"	"
Flat Brook -	" Neil McKay D.D.	"	"
Lumberton -	" Joseph Evans	"	"
Rockingham	" Archibald Baker	"	"
Libanon -	" Archibald McLean	"	"

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

K. G. Heile Chairman.

Treasurer's Books. The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Books and accompanying vouchers, reported that

they had discharged that duty, and found the Book carefully and correctly kept. This report was accepted.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this house at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Bethel Church, October 7th 1876.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence from the remaining sessions was granted to Rev. Archibald McLean, and to Rev. Messrs J. M. Cobb and Joseph Evans after this morning's sessions.

Education. The Committee on Education presented their report, which was accepted and the resolution appended thereto adopted.

The Committee of Education report to Presbytery of Fayetteville: That at a meeting of the Committee held at Laurinburgh, July 15th 1876, application was made to the Assembly's Committee at Memphis, for the following appropriations, viz:

E. Marshall Munroe, Senior in Union Theo. Seminary $175.00.
F. P. Harrell, Senior in Davidson College — " 175.00.
L. A. McLean, Soph. in Hampden Sidney College " 150.00
which amounts, with balance due on appropriations for last year, were deemed sufficient for the ensuing year, especially as it was understood, that the young brethren had contracted very little, if any debt.

The Committee at Memphis acted promptly on our application, and allowed the following appropriations, viz: E. Marshall Munroe $175.00, the amount asked for; F. P. Harrell $150.00, $25.00 less than asked for, and L. A. McLean $150.00, the amount applied for.

E. M. Munroe was employed during his vacation in Virginia and Frank P. Harrell taught school at Antioch Church. These brethren, it is hoped, received prompt remuneration for their services, which will materially aid them in prosecuting their studies.

L. A. McLean was not able to find employment, except for a part of the vacation. They have now all returned to their posts. It is proper here to reiterate the claims of this cause upon the liberality of the Churches. The fact that the Church demands an Educated Ministry imposes on the Church the necessity of Educating her Candidates.

The Committee at Memphis are proceeding cautiously, granting appropriations according to the gifts of the Church. But this important cause is greatly embarrassed and retarded by want of means.

In view of this fact, your Committee offer the following resolution: That it be enjoined upon all the Pastors and Stated Supplies of this Presbytery to present the Claims of this Cause to the people of their charges during the month of November next, or as soon thereafter as may be convenient; and further that it be enjoined upon the Sessions of all our Churches to see that their people have an opportunity of contributing to this cause within the time above specified; and also, that the money collected, be forwarded through the Treasurer of Presbytery, to the Assembly's Treasurer at Memphis, as soon as

practicable.

Education. All of which is respectfully submitted.
By order of the Committee.
J. K. Cobb Chairman.

Concluded.

The death of Mr. John Elliott, one of the Trustees of Presbytery was announced by the Stated Clerk; whereupon A. K. McDiarmid Esqr. was appointed in his place.

Trustee Elected.

Publication. The Agent of Publication reported as follows:-
During the past six months, 16 Churches have contributed $37.91. to the general Cause of Publication.
It is with sadness, that we report this as the result of our efforts for this important branch of the Church's work. There is just cause for humiliation before God. Why this deficiency? Are the "hard times" alleged as the reason? Who is prepared to say, that the financial pressure now crippling almost every department of business is not owing in a large measure, to the Church's dereliction - in her misapplying or withholding the Lord's money?
There are now in the hands of the Treasurer $62.37. for the Colportage Fund. Only three Churches, viz: Hagersville, Bethel and Eastwood, are reported as having complied with the requirements of Presbytery, viz: "To take up an annual collection for Colportage work in our churches".
This report was accepted and adopted.
Respectfully submitted,
D. Macrae, Agent.

Concluded.

A. A. Currie. Mr. Neill A. Currie, from Lanarkburgh Church, attended to Mr. D. P. McKinnon who had obtained leave of absence, was Enrolled.

Book of Ch. Order. The Committee appointed on the Book of Church Order, would report, that they deem the New Form of Government, in chapters of statement and systematic arrangement, an improvement upon the old one.
They recommend that Presbytery form the New Form of Government read and adopt in chapters with certain verbal amendments to be indicated.
They request permission to retain the Rules of Discipline under consideration and to report respecting them to the next Spring meeting of Presbytery.
K. G. Neill, Chairman.

This report was adopted, whereupon Presbytery proceeded to hear the reading of the Book of Church order.
Chapter I. was adopted without exceptions.
Chapter III Sections 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th were adopted.
Section 5th Caption amended by adding "By a Presbyterial Commission". Paragraph 2nd amended by placing paragraph 3rd, at the close of the sentence beginning - "Do you in reliance on God &c" - pronouncing it a "Constituted Church" after the election and ordination of Ruling Elders and Deacons.
Chapter IIII Adopted.
Chapter IV Sections 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th adopted.
Chapter V. Section 1st Paragraphs 1st and 2nd adopted.
Paragraph 3rd amended by adding after the words "the Pastor is Moderator of all Congregational Assemblies",

Church Order. but in certain cases a minister or an Elder invited by the Session, may preside. Also amended, by adding these words: or of the first named Courts at a preceding meeting, viz: Presbyteries and Synods instead of "at such stated meeting of these Courts".

Paragraph 4th amended by striking out "Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly" and inserting a Church Court.

Section 2nd Adopted. Section 3rd adopted. Section 4th adopted. Section 5th adopted Section 6th adopted. Section 7th Paragraph 2nd strike out these words- "The Commission for the ordination of a Minister shall always consist of a quorum of the Court, but the Presbytery itself shall conduct the previous examination". Chapter VII Adopted by sections. Capter VIII adopted.

Concluded. The Book of Church Order, as thus amended, was adopted.

Report of Treas. pro tem. A. K. McDiarmid Esqr. Treasurer pro tem. submitted his report, which was accepted, and he was directed to pay over the funds in his hands to the Treasurer, viz. G. P. McNeill.

Presbytery took recess for 30 minutes.

Leave of Absence. After recess Presbytery met, when leave of absence was granted to D. Davis, A. K. McDiarmid and Archibald R. McDonald.

Statistical Report. The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina, that they consist of 17 Ministers and have under

Statistical Report. their care 48 Churches, 4 Licentiates and 2 Candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 22nd day of April 1876, they licensed, as probationers to preach the Gospel, Colin A. Monroe, Angald Monroe, E. Marshall Monroe, William M. McGilvary and Angus McDonald; that on the same day they dismissed, at their own request, Mr. Angus McDonald, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Lacesville, Ky. and Mr. Degald Monroe, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Knoxville, Tenn.; that on the 23rd day of May 1876, they lost by death Rev. Thomas L. DeVaux, and that the Presbytery stands adjourned to meet at Bluff Church, Cumberland County, N.C. Thursday before the 4th Sabbath in April (29th) 1877, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

Bethel Church, N.C. Oct. 7th 1876. J. E. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Systematic Beneficence. The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully reports to the Synod on Systematic Beneficence, that from April 1st 1875 to April 1st 1876, -

31.	Churches contributed to Sustentation	$200. 00.
24.	" " " Evangelistic Fund	135. 00.
28.	" " " Freedmen Fund	157. 00.
35.	" " " Foreign Missions	698. 00
31.	" " " Education	287. 00.
28.	" " " Publication	166. 00.
16.	" " " Miscellaneous	447. 00.

Whole amount reported $2. 077. 00.

Contributed since April 1st 1876. to October 1st 1876 — — —

14 Churches contributed to Sustentation $. 45.81.
12. " " " Evangelistic work " 51.52.
19. " " " Invalid Fund " 63.87.
17. " " " Foreign Missions " 269.56.
16. " " " Publication -- 37.91.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Concluded.

October 7th 1876.

Narrative to Synod.

The Committee on the Narrative to Synod of the State of Religion in the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery, report; that while there is not that manifestation of spiritual life and religious zeal among the officers and members of our Churches which is desirable, yet verily God has blessed us in many respects. Nearly all the Churches report additions, generally from one to two and three, except four Churches which report an average of fifteen additions each.

All the Churches which enjoy the Stated preaching of the word, report contributions to the various benevolent causes of the Church, though there is a slight falling off in the amounts contributed this year.

Sabbath-Schools are kept up in most of the Churches - Ladies' aid societies in several and monthly concerts in a few. So that on the whole, it seems that the Churches generally, are in, at least, a tolerably healthy condition spiritually, and making steady, though slow progress.

Conclud. This report was adopted & a copy ordered to be forwarded.

Report of Commissioner to G. Ass.

The Commissioners to the last general Assembly, viz: Rev. K. M. McIntyre and Mr. D. C. McIntyre, reported that they had attended the sessions of said Body, which was accepted. They also reported, that the amount allowed them fell short of meeting their necessary travelling expenses: Whereupon the Stated Clerk was directed to give to each an order on the Treasurer for $10.00.

Sandy Grove.

Sandy Grove Church was permitted to secure the Ministerial services of Rev. David Fairley for one fourth of his time October 1st 1876. to October 1st 1877. on a salary of $200.00 per annum.

Vote of thanks.

Recognising with grateful pleasure the courteous hospitality of Bethel Congregation and the citizens of the Community, the Presbytery of Fayetteville hereby acknowledges its sense of obligation to the good people of Community for their generous kindness and considerate attention, and tenders the expression of its sincere and hearty thanks.

Resolved, that this action of Presbytery be announced to the people from the pulpit by the Stated Supply of the Church.

300 copies to be published

The Stated Clerk was directed to publish three hundred copies of our present minutes.

Day of fasting &c.

The following paper, presented by Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, was unanimously adopted:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville has learned with deep sorrow from the reports on the State of Religion

Fasting & prayer. in the Churches in our bounds, and from the reports of the Executive Committee of the Presbytery, of the low state of piety prevailing in our Congregations, as shown by the small number added to the Church, and the lack of zeal and diminished contributions to the great objects of Christian beneficence, especially in the present urgent need of the Church; the Presbytery deems that these facts call for confession for sin, deep humiliation and sincere repentance on the part of all its members and Churches.

And in order to this, Presbytery hereby calls upon all its Congregations to humble themselves before God — to inquire, if delinquency may not be laid to their charge, to prove their sorrow by increased endeavours to Christian beneficence. In view of these statements, concerning the condition of our Church, Presbytery re-iterates its injunctions upon all the Churches, including vacant Churches, to take up, at least, one annual collection for each of the objects recommended by the General Assembly, and the Presbytery including Colporteurs and the Bible Cause — urging all to contribute. And Presbytery hereby appoints the fourth Thursday in January, as a day of public humiliation, fasting and prayer, to be observed by all our Congregations. And the Presbytery hereby calls upon all its Churches

to repair to their places of worship, and humbly to confess, and deplore their past delinquency; earnestly to implore divine forgiveness, beseech divine favour and seriously to consecrate themselves and their substance to the love and service of the Master, and the pastor or supply preach a sermon suitable to such an occasion.

Contributed.

Ordered that the Call upon the Visiting Committees be made at our spring meeting.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly not being ready to report, that matter was filliced on the docket.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in Fagettsville, N.Y. during the sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. D. McPherson
Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting.

Fagettsville, N.Y. October 19th 1876.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator, and was opened with prayer.

Present — Ministers — H. McLean, J. D. McPherson, Archibald Baker, Martin McLaren, D. McBoyde, Joseph Evans, J. H. Cable, David Fairley, H. M. McLeod, H. G. Hill and James McLean.

Ruling Elders — Peter Monroe, Sandy Gow, J. B.

Fagetteville.

Graham, Bethesda; Neill McFadyen, Bethel, and J. A. McAllister, Lumberton.

Lumberton — The unfinished business, viz: the application from Lumberton Church for the ordination of Mr. C. A. Monroe, was taken up.

Crystal Springs. — Certain letters from the Session of Crystal Springs, Mississippi, for the services of Mr. C. A. Monroe, for six months, with a view to a regular call, were read and placed in his hands.

Mr. Monroe signified his desire to go to that field of labour; and after some remarks, Presbytery took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

Fayetteville, N.C. October 20th 1876.

Presbytery met at the call of the Stated Clerk, the Moderator being absent.

Rev. David Fairley, the last Moderator present, took the Chair, and called the Presbytery to order.

The unfinished business was taken up, when, on motion, Mr. C. A. Monroe was permitted to labour out of our bounds, during the next months, or until the Spring meeting of Presbytery.

The Report of the Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly, was postponed until our next regular Sessions.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Bluff Church, Cumberland County, N.C. Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April (19th) 1877, at 11 o'clock A.M. J. T. McPherson

Stated Clerk.

Report of Treasurer pro tem:

Destitution — Destitution — Bethesda $3.65.

Evangelistic — Evangelistic Fund — Smyrna, $4.00. Laurel Hill $8.75. Par Dee, 1.15. Flat Branch, 2.19. St. Andrew's, 3.00. Rockingham 2.00.

Invalid F. — Disabled Ministers &c. Par Dee, 2.00.

F. Missions. — Foreign Missions — Smyrna, $3.00. Laurel Hill, 9.70. Par Dee, 5.30. Flat Branch 1.16. Rockingham, 2.75. Presbyterial Collection 18.96. Antioch 9.75.

Total — Destitution $3.65. Invalid Fund $2.00. Evangelistic Fund, $21.09. Foreign Missions $40.87. Presbyterial $9.75. Total — $77.36.

A. K. McDiarmid. Treasurer pro tem.

Bethel Church, N.C. October 6th 1876.

Approved up to this page October 20th 1877.

John Douglas Moderator.

One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Sessions.

Bluff Church, Cumberland County, Ala.

April 19th, 1877.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by Rev. H. G. Hill from Acts 16:17 — "These men are the servants of the most high God, which show unto us the way of salvation."

Opening Sermon.

After sermon, Presbytery was called to order by Rev. Archibald McLean, the last Moderator present, and constituted with prayer.

Present. Ministers present — Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, D. D. McBryde, Martin McLean, Joseph Evans, Archibald McLean, John H. Cobb, H. G. Hill, A. N. Ferguson and William L. Lacy.

Ministers.

Churches represented — Barbacue, Sion Harrington, Bethlehem, George L. McKay; Bethesda, D. C. Blue; Bluff, M. L. Wade; Carthage and Union, T. P. Shields; Centre, P. H. Smith; Cypress and China Grove, T. L. [illegible]; Flat Branch, Allen Shaw; Long Street, Duncan Brown; Lumberton, J. A. McDougald; McPherson, J. A. McArcher; Mt. Pisgah, James L. Harrington; Sardis, James P. Hodges, Sandy Grove, Neill L. Blue, and Shiloh, Duncan Davis.

Churches represented.

Absent. Ministers absent — Neill McKay, D. D., A. McNeillan, Archibald Baker, James McLean, N. T. Bowles, David McKay and N. McIntyre.

Absent.

Churches not represented. Ben-Salem, Big-Rockfish and St. Pauls, Buffalo, and Euphronia, Fayetteville, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Laurinburg, Lebanon, Lumber Bridge, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Andrews and Tirza.

Moderator & Clerks. Rev. A. N. Ferguson was chosen Moderator, and Rev. Joseph Evans and Mr. John A. McAlister Temporary Clerks.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for 30 minutes.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of last Session was dispensed with.

Rev. D. L. McAlister. Rev. David S. McAlister of the Presbytery of Harmony, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

J. M. McG. Mr. William M. McGilvary, a Licentiate, was, at his own request, dismissed to place himself under the care of Mecklenburg Presbytery, and the Stated Clerk was directed to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Excuses — The following Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our last Session, viz: Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Carthage, McPherson's, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Sardis and Smyrna.

A. Exercises. The Moderator announced as the Committee on the general Exercises Rev. D. D. McBryde and M. L. Wade.

Orders of the day fixed. On motion, it was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning, hear reports from Church Sessions; second order, the Report on Sustentation; the first order for to-morrow afternoon, the Report on Education; [illegible] the Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the order of the day 10 o'clock Saturday

morning, and the report of the Agent for Sabbath Schools the second order.

Place & time of next meeting. Presbytery proceeded to select the place and fix the time for the next meeting of the Presbytery, when Pee Dee Church, Richmond County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the second Sabbath in October (11th) 1877, at 12, O'clock, M. as the time.

Rev. A. Baker. A Communication was read from Rev. Archibald Baker, assigning a satisfactory reason for absence from of our present Sessions.

Book of Ch. Order. The Stated Clerk laid before Presbytery a printed Communication from the Committee of Publication, in reference to an important omission from the Book of Church Order, as set down from the General Assembly to the Presbyteries, which was read and referred to the special Committee on the Book of Church Order.

Min. G. A. 55. The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly of 1876, having failed to report, on motion, the Moderator was directed to appoint a new Committee on said Minutes.

Groups of Churches. The Committee to visit groups of Churches reported, when it appeared, that in - 1st District all the Churches had been visited. In Second District, no report. 3rd District - all visited. 4th District, no report. 5th District, nothing done. 6th District, no visitation the past year. 7th District, all visited but Centre. 8th District, three visited.

Account for printing. On account of $39.43, the North Carolina Presbyterian Company for printing Minutes of Fall Sessions was read

by the Stated Clerk, and, on motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay the same.

Commissioners to Gen. Ass. Presbytery proceeded to appoint Commissioners to the General Assembly, when Rev. William S. Long and Mr. James P. Hodges, Ruling Elder of Sardis Church, were chosen as principals, and Rev. J. E. McPherson and Mr. M. E. Dye, Ruling Elder of Fayetteville Church, as alternates.

Treasurer's Report. The Report of the Treasurer, Mr. George P. Mintell, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance, consisting of Rev. J. H. Cobb and Ruling Elder D. C. Blue.

Treasurer elected. On motion, Mr. George P. Mintell was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the ensuing year.

Rev. A. McK. K. Rev. Neill McKay D.D. appeared in Presbytery and tendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness and also for absence from last Fall Sessions.

Elders appear. Mr. M. E. Dye, Ruling Elder of Fayetteville Church and Col. Alexander McMillan, Ruling Elder of Antioch Church, appeared in Presbytery, and tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness and their names were enrolled.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Bluff Church, April 20th 1877.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

Min. 2. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

$12. On motion, Rev. A. A. Ferguson was authorized to draw on Presbyterial Treasurer for $12, for expenses as Treasurer of

Davidson College.

Committees Announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees, in addition to those announced yesterday.

Synod. Minutes of Synod — Rev. A. McLean and D. P. Shields.

Narrative. Narrative to General Assembly — Neill McKay D.D. and Col. Alexander McMillan.

Gen. Ass. Minutes of General Assembly of 1876. D. D. McBryde and A. McLean.

Sessional Records. On Sessional Records — Rev. William S. Lacy and Elder G. L. McKay, Records of Antioch, Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethel and Sardis.

Rev. Hector McLean and Elder James S. Harrington, Records of Bethesda, Bon-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, and St. Andrew's.

Rev. H. G. Neill and Elder D. G. Smith, Records of Carthage, Centre, China Grove, Cypress, Euphronia and Union.

Rev. A. McLean and Elder Leon Harrington — Records of Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Iona and Sharon.

Rev. A. McLean and Elder Duncan Brown, Records of Laurel Hill, Laurinburgh, Lebanon, Long-Street, and Lumber-Bridge.

Rev. John H. Cobb and Elder Duncan Davis, Records of Lumberton, McPherson's, Martin's Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, and Mineral Spring.

Rev. N. McKay D.D. and Elder Allen Shaw, Records of Northeast, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Peedee, and Philadelphus.

Rev. D. McBryde and Elder P. P. Smith, Records of

Rockingham, Salem, Sandy Grove, Shalom, Smyrna, St. Paul's and Teiza.

Sys. Beneficence. Systematic Beneficence — Joseph Evans, J. B. McPherson and Neill S. Blue.

Calls & Supplies. On Calls and Supplies — William S. Lacy, D. Fairley and J. A. McArthur.

Order of the day. On motion, the reception of Reports of Committees on Sessional Records was made the third order of the day for to-morrow.

Presbytery. Book was the first order of the day, being the reception of Sessional Reports to Presbytery, which were read and referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Relations dissolved. A. McL. Ashpole. The following members appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: Rev. David Fairley and Mr. J. M. McIver, Ruling Elder of Euphronia Church.

At the request of Rev. Archibald McLean, the pastoral relation between himself and Ashpole Church, (the Church concurring therein unanimously through their Commissioners,) was dissolved, and Rev. J. H. Cobb was appointed to preach at said church on the third Sabbath in May, and declare it vacant.

Permission was granted to Rev. A. McLean to labor one half his time without the bounds of the Presbytery.

Sustentation. Sustentation:

The second order of the day, being the Report of the Committee on Sustentation, was taken up.

The Report was read, accepted and approved, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted as follows:

The Presbyterial Sustentation Committee would report as follows for the year ending April 1st 1877:

Sustentation 1st. As to Ministerial Support. — We have connected with the Presbytery seventeen ordained Ministers and three Licentiates. Fourteen of our Ministers are fully engaged in Ministerial work and three in other employments. Two pastoralates in our bounds are probably unable to give salaries of $800.

The average of salaries promised labouring Ministers, outside of Fayetteville, is about $800. or the same as last year.

Continued. On account of pecuniary pressure among our people, many of our Ministers have been straitened in their circumstances, during the past year, by not having their promised salaries fully & regularly paid.

2nd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

During the year covered by this report, your Treasurer mentions twenty-eight churches as contributing to Sustentation $141.40. The number of churches contributing to this object is four less than last year, and there is a decrease in amount of $11.60. Twenty of our churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year, though some may pay their contributions at the present meeting of Presbytery.

For the current year an appropriation of $100. has been asked from the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation, provided Presbytery employs one of our Licentiates, or some Minister, in our vacant churches. But because of scarcity of means, and because we received last year from the general Fund, $200. while contributing a little less than $100. to Assembly's

Committee has not been able to grant the appropriation asked. Our Licentiate, Colin A. Munn, who was directed by Presbytery to refund a part of the $200. appropriated to him last year, corresponding to that portion of the year when he did not serve Rocky Run Church, has complied with this order. The sum of $66.67, so refunded by him is in the hands of the Chairman and subject to the order of Presbytery.

Continued.

3rd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic Work.

For the financial year your Treasurer reports twenty-three churches as contributing to the Assembly's Evangelistic Fund $9.64; compared with last year this shows an increase of seven contributing churches, and of $6.25.

Some of our churches may not have forwarded their contributions to the Treasurer, but according to his report, the sad fact remains that twenty-five of our churches have given nothing to this important object, and that the work of Domestic Missions has received from our Presbytery a very inadequate support.

For the current year an appropriation of $100. from the Assembly's Coloured Evangelistic Fund, and though the sum asked exceeds the amount given by our churches to the General Fund for Evangelistic work, yet the Assembly's Committee has granted this appropriation, and its first instalment of $50. has been paid.

4th. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year, by twenty-six churches $114.42.

Sustentation Continued. Compared with the previous year, there is an increase of eight contributing churches and of $6.01.

According to the Treasurer's account twenty-two of our churches have given nothing to the Invalid Fund for a year, and the whole amount furnished by our contributing churches does not equal the sum appropriated for the needy connected with our Presbytery.

Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations – For Miss Sarah D. Sherrod .. $100.00
" Miss Susan E. Hogshead ... 25.00.

In October, upon information received, a further appropriation was asked for Miss Hogshead of -- 50.00.
The whole amount has been paid $175.00
The recipients express their gratitude for the relief thus afforded.

5th. As to supplies for vacant churches.

Lebanon – A. N. Ferguson one Sabbath and sacraments.
Lumberton – A. M. Leon " " " "
Rockingham – J. H. Cobb " " " "
Long Street – Wm. S. Lacy " " " "
Mizpah – A. McMillan " " " "
Bethlehem – H. G. Hill " " " "
Flat Branch – N. McRae D.D. " " " "

6th. As to amount due L. W. Currie.

At the spring meeting of 1876, Presbytery ordered its churches to take up a collection during the month of May, for paying Licentiate L. W. Currie a balance of $75. due for services rendered as Evangelist Colporteur during the year 1872. The following churches complied with this direction and contributed the sums

Sustentation specified: Lumberton $3.65. Euphronia 1.00. Buffalo 8.00. Laurinburgh 2.45. Bethel 3.00. Laurelhill 3.60. Smyrna 2.40. Fayetteville 9.27. Mt. Pherson's 2.63.

Nine churches have contributed $36. Twenty-nine have reported no contributions, and a balance of $36. still remains unpaid.

The Committee would make the following recommendations:

1st. That Presbytery require it upon our churches to make more vigorous efforts to meet their obligations to their Ministers, and to give them such support as will enable them to devote their whole energies to Ministerial work.

2nd. That Presbytery recommend to all our church officers to procure printed envelopes for all our benevolent objects, and to distribute them among their people for making contributions at the times appointed by Presbytery and the General Assembly.

Concluded.

3rd. That Presbytery direct all its churches that did not take the collection ordered last spring for settling the debt due L. W. Currie, to make a contribution immediately, that the Treasurer may settle with him as soon as possible.

4th. That Presbytery order these recommendations, when adopted, to be read from all our pulpits.

5th. That Presbytery order the money refunded to the Sustentation Committee by Colin A. Munroe ($6.67.) to be returned to the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation.

Respectfully submitted.
H. G. Hill Chairman.

N.C.P. The following paper, in reference to the North Carolina Presbyterian, was adopted:

Whereas, By recent changes in the management of the North Carolina Presbyterian, the paper has passed into private hands, the Presbytery deems it fitting to take the following action: The Presbytery of Fayetteville, within whose bounds, and by the unremitting exertions of whose members, the North Carolina Presbyterian was first instituted and sustained, now that it has become private property, desires to assure the Editor of our best wishes for his success, to express our unabated interest in its continued welfare, and respectfully to commend it to the moral and pecuniary support of our people.

supplies. Supplies to vacant churches reported the duty generally performed.

Church organized. The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Manchester, reported as follows:

Church of the Covenant. The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Manchester, would report as follows:

On Saturday before the second Sabbath in December 1876, the Committee met at Manchis, and organized a Church called "The Church of the Covenant," by receiving sixteen members upon certificate from China Grove Church, two members upon examination, and by installing, as Ruling, Mr. Archibald H. McDiarmid, formerly an Elder of China Grove Church, after

he had been elected to that office by the new congregation.

H. B. Hill, W. S. Long, J. P. Hodges } Committee.

Assessed $7.50. This report was accepted and adopted, and the Church was enrolled and ordered to pay one-half of the present assessment ~~of~~ for China Grove ($15.00)

Supplies granted. Permission was granted Lebanon Church to employ Mr. Daniel A. McRae, licentiate, one half his time on a salary of $175. per annum, and also to the Church of the Covenant to employ Rev. David Feely one fourth of his time on a salary of $300. per annum.

The request from Centre Church to change the call, was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Presbytery took recess for 30 minutes.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

Records app.d The Records of Ashpole Church were approved with exceptions.

Education. The first order of the day for this afternoon, the Report on Education, was taken up, when said report was read, amended, and adopted viz:

The Committee of Education report to the Presbytery of Fayetteville: That the two candidates for the Ministry under your care are prosecuting their studies - Mr. Frank P. Harrell in the Senior Class at Davidson College, and Mr. Lauchlin A. McLean in the Sophomore Class at Hampden Sidney College, Virginia.

Harrell, McLean.

Judging from the reports sent monthly by the

Education. Faculties of these Institutions, both of these young brethren are diligent and faithful in applying themselves.

E. M. Munroe. Licentiate E. Marshall Munroe spent the past year in Union Theological Seminary, completing the Course on the 11th instant.

With regard to support, we report as follows:

Mr. Frank P. Harrell has received $88.00. of the $150.00 appropriated by the Assembly's Committee for his use, having a balance of $62.00. yet to be received, which amount, if received, he states will be sufficient to defray his expenses.

Mr. Laurentius A. McLean has received $109.00. of the $150.00. appropriated, having a balance of $41.00. still due. He informs us that in addition to the $41.00. he will need some $50.00. to enable him to meet the demands upon him at the close of the Collegiate year, and requested us to apply to his Committee at Memphis for this amount; but in view of the straitened condition of the Assembly's Treasury, and especially of the diminished liberality of the Churches within our bounds, your Committee did not think that they would be justified in complying with the request.

Mr. E. Marshall Munroe has received the $175.00 allowed for his support; $90.00 of this amount, however, was given him by way of Scholarship, $85.00. being all that he has received from Memphis. He has informed us that $50.00. more will be necessary to close up his account at the Seminary. Your Committee have applied for this amount.

Continued. The financial condition of the Education cause requires most serious consideration. Your Committee asked the Assembly's Committee for $150.00. for the young brethren under our care the first year. The Assembly's Committee granted $175.00.

According to the statement of the young brethren $550.00. will be necessary to enable them to square off their accounts, $50.00. more than we asked for, $75.00. more than was granted, $268.00. more than has yet been received, leaving out the $90.00. scholarship received by brother Munroe, or counting this $90.00. there remains a deficiency of $192.00. a deficiency but little less than the whole amount contributed by all the Churches within our bounds.

We hope that the Assembly's Committee will be able to forward this amount by the close of the Collegiate year; but it is a painful fact that the Churches have not responded with that degree of liberality which the importance of the cause demands, and the treasury is greatly embarrassed.

Of the thirty four Churches reporting in the aggregate 3,874. members represented by reports at this meeting of Presbytery, three Churches report nothing given to this Cause, thirty one Churches report an aggregate of $205.32. making 5½ cents nearly per member. Two Churches, Sardis and China Grove have given 34 cents per member. One Church, Montpelier,

Education has given 30 cents for member. Four Churches have given 11 cents, and two Churches 10 cents per member, while seventeen Churches have given less than 5 cents per member.

Continued. Now it is a grave question; Is this the measure of our ability? Is it the measure of our duty? Is it the measure of our love to the Lord Jesus and His cause?

Surely, there is a solemn responsibility resting on the Churches under our care, a responsibility which cannot be evaded without incurring guilt. In view of the facts above stated, your Committee recommend to the Presbytery the following resolution:-

That Presbytery enjoins it upon those Churches which have not contributed to this cause to do so as soon as practicable, and that efforts be made at the

Concluded. next annual collection for this cause to raise at least double the amount contributed heretofore.

Minutes of Synod. The Committee on the Minutes of Synod reported as follows, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Presbytery has already complete control of their candidates for the Ministry, and that we do not now deem any change in our system of beneficiary education necessary.

Records approved. The following sessional Records were approved, viz; Bethesda, Buffalo, Bluff, Big-Rackfish, Laurinburg, Laurel Hill, Lumron, Iona, Fayetteville, Galatia, Sherwood, Antioch, and Lumberton; and with exceptions, McPherson's Bethel, Bethlehem, Ashpole, Barbacue and Surdin.

Church order. The Committee on the New Book of Church Order and Rules of Discipline submitted their Report, which accepted and amended, and after discussion, adopted. It is as follows: The Committee on the New Book of Church Order and Rules of Discipline made report to Presbytery the following resolutions, viz:

1st. Resolved, That we deem the New Book of Church Order, adopted with certain amendments at last Fall meeting, as still capable of improvement, and think that only communicating members, in good standing, should vote for Church officers.

2nd. Resolved, That we consider the New Rules of Discipline as needing some amendments; but deeming them as far better than those now in force, we recommend their adoption in their present form, with a view to amend when necessary by overture to the Assembly.

The following resolution was also adopted, viz; Resolved, That regarding the New Book of Church Order as much superior to the old one, we propose that it should be adopted in its present form with the explicit view of making needful changes in future, rather than that it should now be rejected by the Presbyteries.

C. M. Munroe. On motion, permission was granted to Mr. C. Marshall Munroe, licentiate, to labor without our bounds.

400 Copies of Minutes. The Stated Clerk was instructed to have 400 copies of the Minutes of our present sessions published,

in pamphlet form.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted their report, which was adopted. It is as follows: That Rev. J. P. McPherson be permitted to supply McPherson Church one third of the time on a salary of $225.00 per annum; Galatia Church one third of the time on a salary of $266.66. and Lumber Bridge Church one third of the time on a salary of $266.66.

That Rev. Joseph Evans preach at Mt. Tabor Church on the afternoon of every third sabbath on a salary of $100; that permission be granted to the same to supply Sharwood Church on the forenoon of every third sabbath on a salary of $250.00. That Rev. D.P. McBryde supply Sardis Church one half his time on a salary of $300.00. That Rev. John H. Cobb supply Laurinburgh Church one half his time on a salary of $500.00; also to supply Bethel Church one fourth of his time on a salary of $250.00. and Montpelier Church one fourth of his time on a salary of $250.00.

That Rev. A.N. Ferguson supply Smyrna Church one half of his time on a salary of $400.00. That Rev. David Hadley supply the Church of the Covenant one fourth of his time on a salary of $300.00. And that Rev. M. McQueen supply Bethesda Church one fourth of his time on a salary of $200.00.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Bluff Church, April 21st 1877.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Fraternal Relations. A Communication from the Stated Clerk of the Presbytery of Orange, in reference to fraternal relations, was read, when it was Resolved, That this Presbytery does not deem it necessary to take any action in reference to Fraternal Relations.

Systematic Beneficence. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence submitted the following Report, which was accepted and adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. It is as follows: The Report of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence to the Presbytery of Fayetteville for the year ending April 1st 1877:

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows: That of the forty-nine Churches under the care of the Presbytery, thirty-five have sent up "Statistical Reports," and twenty one "Sessional Reports" on Systematic Beneficence.

The following Churches have not sent up their Statistical Reports; Tirza, Mount Carmel, Muddy Creek, Harmony, Monumental Spring, Pee Dee, Hasson, Macedonia, New Salem, Rockingham and Mizpah.

Complete Reports have been sent up by the following: Bethesda, Laurinburgh, Bethel, Big Rockfish, Galatia, Smyrna, Buffalo, St. Pauls, McPherson's, Centre, Lumberton, Iona, Sharwood, St. Andrew's, Union, Long-Street, Lumberton, Philadelphus, Antioch, and Mount Tabor, (20.) and the Church of the Covenant

Continued. as complete a report as could be expected from one so recently organized.

The following were written in whole or in part with a pencil; Sandy Grove, Bluff, Sardis, Cypress and McPherson's.

In the following nothing is reported in regard to Pastors' Salaries paid, Flat Branch and Mount Pisgah.

The following report nothing in connection with Sabbath-Schools: Mount Pisgah, Cypress, Bluff, Barbecue, and Laurel Hill. China Grove fails to report the total of Communicants. The following fail to report apportionments; Sardis, Presbyterial; Lumber River, Education; Mount Pisgah, Evangelistic, Invalid Fund, and Presbyterial; Lebanon, Foreign Missions; Sandy Grove, Evangelistic and Invalid Fund; Barbecue, nothing only the Presbyterial Assessment; Bethlehem Invalid Fund and Foreign Missions; Ashpole, Invalid Fund, Education, Publication and Presbyterial.

Concluded. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Joseph Evans Chairman,

Narrative to Gen. Ass. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted, and the Stated Clerk was directed to forward a copy to the General Assembly:

The Committee on the Narrative report that the following facts and figures will indicate to the Assembly the state of Religion in the Churches within the bounds of the Presbytery of Fayetteville: Of the 49

Continued. Churches under the care and control of this Presbytery, only one claims and enjoys the entire services of a Minister, one three fourths, two, two thirds and four one third of a Minister's time each — by far the greater part of the Churches having the preaching of the Word and the privileges of the Sanctuary only once in three weeks, quite a number once in a month, while a few are vacant, with only an occasional Sabbath service.

Reports to the present sessions of Presbytery from 38 Churches, including the largest and most efficient, show that not more than one or two have met their pecuniary obligations to their respective Ministers, a large number have fallen greatly in arrears, while a few give almost nothing to the support of the Gospel and the benevolent operations of the Church. Under such discouragement and consequent embarrassment, only three of the Ministers of the Presbytery are reported as not actively engaged in their professional work. One hundred and seventy additions are reported during the year.

Bible Classes and Sabbath Schools have been maintained in many of the Churches. The monthly Concert has been observed and prayer-meetings held by a few of the Churches.

In making this candid and humiliating report, the Presbytery look with confidence and hope to the Head of the Church for the forgiveness of all sin, and for that godly sorrow for our short comings in duty, which needeth not to be repented of.

Concluded. Rev. P. L. DeVeaux. The Committee appointed to prepare a biographical sketch of Rev. P. L. DeVeaux, submitted the following

Continued. report, which was accepted, the biographical sketch ordered to be copied into the book kept for that purpose, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted, viz;

Resolved, 1st. That in the death of Rev. T. L. DeVeaux, our Church has sustained a great loss.

2nd. That Presbytery has cause to mourn for him as a loving friend and brother in the Gospel.

3rd. That the North Carolina Presbyterian has sustained an irreparable loss.

4th. That Mrs DeVeaux, his widow, be furnished with

Concluded. a copy of this paper and resolutions.

On motion, the first order of the day for this hour was temporarily postponed.

Records approved. The Records of Sandy Grove, Flat Branch, Smyrna, St. Paul's with exceptions; Union Barthage, and Ecphronia, as unusually full and satisfactory, and Cypress with exceptions.

Publication. The Report of the Agent of Publication was read, accepted and recommitted.

F. Missions. Foreign Missions:

The Report on this subject was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McQueen, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:-

Your Agent, in presenting his report, would state there has been no marked change in our missionary field for the past six months. The general outlook of our Missionary work is painfully perplexing and gloomy - with a debt of nearly two thousand dollars hanging over our Church; over seventy la-

F. Missions. borers in the field requiring at least $75 000. for their support and the contributions of the Churches have fallen off the past year, till they will hardly reach $65 000. In addition to our financial embarrassment, Rev. Mr. Le Compte has been called to his rest. Rev. Mr. Henderson, on account of declining health, has resigned his place as a missionary to China, and for the same cause, Rev. Dr. Colton and Mrs Colton and Mrs Pratt have been compelled to retire from the field. And although the urgent call for more labourers comes up from all the stations to fill up the depleted ranks of our missionaries, and brethren have come forward saying, "Here are we, send us"; yet for want of means, (with the exception of Mr. Reid to take the place of Brother Colton at Spencer Academy,) we have not been able to send out a single missionary for two years.

Nor is it less sad, with all these facts before the Church, Ministers and members are as indifferent to the calls of the Divine Master as was a sleeping Jonah to the storm that raged around him.

Out of our forty-eight Churches, only sixteen have reported contributions to this cause during the past year, leaving thirty-two which gave nothing.

The sixteen contributing Churches gave $2499.99;
Ladies' Missionary Societies raised $371.40.
Miscellaneous $42.95 in all $2728.88.

This is $441.88 less than our Presbytery gave last year. This is certainly cause for deep humiliation and confession before God. Still we are not without cause for gratitude and hope that these chastening days

Foreign Missions God has been with our Missionaries in the field, and has greatly blessed their efforts to extend this Kingdom. And whereas Churches and Christian men seem to desert the Master's Cause, our Christian women are coming to the rescue, and have raised $121.50 more than the Churches during the past year. As they were the last to leave the Cross, so, it seems, they will be the last to forsake the Saviour's cause.

Resolved, That the Agent for Foreign Missions be required to inform Presbytery as to which are the delinquent Churches, and that the Pastors and Stated Supplies be required to inform Presbytery why they have failed to take up Collections for this cause during the year.

Respectfully submitted.

A. McQueen Agent.

Concluded.

Leave of absence was granted to Rev. A. McKay D.D. and Alexander Shaw, Sion Harrington & J. S. Harrington.

Leave of absence.

Mr. John A. McAlister was elected a Trustee of Davidson College for four years, and was authorized to draw on the Treasurer of Presbytery for $12, to pay his expenses.

J. A. McA. Trustee D. College.

Publication. The Agent of Publication, Rev. David Faris, again presented his report, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

The leading instrumentality for the propagation of truth and for the conversion of the world is the Christian Ministry. Next to it in importance and efficiency is the Religious Press. These two agencies most happily co-operate in the dissemination of the truth and the success of the Gospel. The circulation of an evangelical literature tends to cultivate a fondness for reading, to remove prejudice, to impart solid instruction, and to awaken a desire for the preached word. The Publication Cause is a power in the Church, and no other agency can supply its work. It is therefore justly entitled to the patronage and support, to the sympathy and prayers of the Church.

Continued.

It is a mistaken notion that the Publication Cause is in no need of funds, that the profits on business should sustain it. While its endowment is still incomplete, its Publishing House unpaid for, how can it be a self-sustaining Institution? Being only partly furnished, its work is necessarily retarded.

Much assistance could be rendered to the Committee by supplying our private and public libraries with their publications and by employing an efficient Colporteur to carry them to every home within our bounds. To this cause $57.26 have been contributed during the past year by twenty-two Churches; more than half of our Churches have done nothing.

There is in the hands of the Treasurer for Colportage $171.63; only five Churches have contributed during the past year. Therefore

Resolved, 1st That this Presbytery hear the injunction of the General Assembly requiring its Churches to take special pains to secure from the Churches

Publication within our bounds a more liberal contribution to the general cause of Publication.

Resolved 2nd That Presbytery instruct its Churches to take up an annual collection for Colporteurs work within our bounds during the month of August.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

D. Fairley, Agent.

Pastoral relation dissolved - Fairley-Cypress.

The pastoral relation between Rev. David Fairley and Cypress Church was dissolved at his request, the Church concurring therein, and Rev. A. McQueen was appointed to preach there and declare said Church vacant Saturday before the fourth in May 1877.

Finance.

The Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was accepted, approved and ordered to be published in the appendix.

Records app.

The Records of Linto Church were approved with exceptions.

Statistical report.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body. It is as follows:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the General Assembly, that they consist of seventeen Ministers, and have under their care forty-nine Churches, three licentiates and two Candidates; that on the 23rd day of May 1876, they lost, by death, Rev. Thomas L. DeVaux; that on the 20th day of April 1877, they dismissed, at his own request, Mr William McIlwaney, to place himself under the care of Mecklenburg Presbytery; that on the same day they received under their care the Church of the Covenant,

and on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. Archibald McQueen and Ashpole Church and declared said Church vacant, and on the 21st day of April, 1877, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. David Fairley and Cypress Church and declared said Church vacant.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

He also presented the annual Report to the General Assembly, which was approved and a copy ordered to be sent to said body.

Vote of thanks.

Vote of thanks:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Presbytery are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Congregation of Bluff Church for their generous hospitality to the members during our present sessions, and that their Pastor, Rev. D. McBryde, read this resolution from the pulpit at such time as he may think best.

Publications.

The Treasurer was instructed to forward all the funds on hand for the cause of Publication, to be applied to the liquidation of the debt of the Publishing House.

Order on Treasurer.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was authorized to draw on the Treasurer for $65.00. to pay the expenses of each of our Commissioners to the General Assembly, $10.00. to pay the Assessment to the General Assembly, and $10. to pay the Assessment of synod.

Fast day.

The Roll was called, when it appeared that the fast day appointed by Presbytery last fall was not generally observed owing to the inclemency of the weather.

Report on S. Schools. The Agent of Sabbath-Schools, Rev Wm S. Lacy, submitted his report, which was approved and a copy ordered to be sent to the General Assembly, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted, as follows:

Resolved 1st That the Presbytery recommends to the Churches under its care to provide Sabbath-School instruction, if practicable, for the baptized youth of their Congregations, and especially in the remote and more destitute parts of their bounds, as a means of aggressive and missionary enterprise.

2nd. That it be recommended to our Sabbath-Schools to take up penny collections for the benevolent enterprises of the Church, especially to Foreign Missions, and to aid in the accomplishment of this, it is recommended that the support of the Sabbath-Schools be defined as a part of the Church expenses.

3rd. That Rev Messrs Wm S. Lacy, David Fairley and R. G. Reid be appointed to make arrangements for a Sabbath-School Convention between this time and the next meeting of Presbytery.

Conducted.

Rd. Allen Rd. Reports from the Professors of Union Theological Seminary, in reference to the good standing of E. Marshall Monroe, an Licentiate, were read.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Pee Dee Church, Richmond County, &c, on Thursday before the second Sabbath in October, 1877, at 12, 0, Clock. Closed with singing, prayer and apostolic benediction.

J. R. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Appendix.

Finance.

The Committee on Finance report to Presbytery that the following funds, for the objects specified, have been received at this meeting:

Presbyterial $240.80. Evangelistic $15.44. Invalid Fund 17.44. Publication 25.83. Education 47.74. Foreign Missions 43.21. Sustentation 61.43. which, added to balance per Treasurer's report meeting, for Presbyterial $299.56. Evangelistic $30.54. Invalid Fund $37.54. Publication $66.22. Education $80.58. Foreign Missions $86.40. Sustentation $78.03. Total $679.17.

In addition to this, there is in the Treasurer's hands $71.63, for Colportage; also $4.00, Special Collection for L. M. Carrie. Your Committee have examined the Treasurer's report and find it correct.

As to Assessments, your Committee recommend that the Churches be assessed for the present year according to the table on page 23. of Standing Rules, and that the Church of the Covenant be assessed $5.00, which is to be deducted from assessment on China Grove; and we also report that 34 Churches are still due the Presbyterial Fund the amount of $315.05; for the year ending April 1st 1877. which amount would be increased by adding the delinquencies of former years.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to correspond with all delinquent Churches and inform them of the amount of their delinquencies to

Contingent. the Presbyterial Fund, and that the said Churches be required to remit the assessments forthwith to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Sustentation. Treasurer's Report: Sustentation:

From April 1st 1876 to April 1st 1877, Bethel $3.00, Bluff 2,75; Bethesda 3.65; Buffalo 24.00, Big-Rockfish 6.00, Bethlehem 1,76, China Grove 10.00, Carthage 5.00, Galatia 3,39, Iona 1,00, Lebanon 1,85; Lumber-Bridge 2,60, Laurel Hill 16,75; Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Carmel 5.00, Macedonia 1,25; Mt. Pisgah 1,00, Mt. Tabor 4,00, Philadelphus, 1,25; Pee Dee 2.00, Sardis 16,67, Sharon 1,00, Sandy Grove, 4,85; Smyrna 4,00, St. Andrew's 5,00, St. Paul's 6,85; Liberty 2,50, Union 6,78. Total --- $140,40,

Amount remitted to date --- " 124,80,

Balance on hand $15,00

Education. Education;

Antioch $2,70, Bethel 2,65; Big-Rockfish 5,00, Bluff 6.25; Bethlehem 1,10, Carthage 10,00, China Grove, 10,00, Galatia 3,66, Iona 1,00, Lumber-Bridge 3,00, Lumberton 4,55; Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Tabor 6,00, Macedonia 1,00, Mt. Pisgah 1,00, Mineral Spring 3,40, Pee Dee, 4,00, Shiloh 6,00, Sardis 22,84, Sandy Grove 2,00, St. Paul's 12,00, Salem 2,00, St. Andrews 5,00, Liberty 5,00, Total -- $120,75;

Amount remitted to date --- " 87,91,

Balance on hand --- 32,84,

Colportage. Euphronia 6,00, Lebanon 75 cts, Laurinburgh 3,51, Philadelphus 1,00, Total --- $11,26,

Making the amount to credit Colportage $67,63,

Evangelistic. Antioch $1,60, Buffalo 8,90, Bethesda 6,15; Bluff 7,00, Big-Rockfish 2,00, Bethlehem 1,10, Centre 7,40, Fayetteville 4,55; Flat Branch 2,17, Galatia 6,55; Iona 1,00, Lumber-Bridge 3,50, Lumberton 1,68, Laurel Hill 8,75; Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Carmel 55 cts., Macedonia 1,00, Mineral Spring 1,17, Pee Dee 3,15, Rockingham 2,00, Smyrna 4,10, Sardis 8,10 Salem 1,00. Total $91,64,

Amount remitted to date - " 76,24,

Balance on hand --- " 15,40.

Foreign Mission. Big-Rockfish $3,00, Bluff 2,80, Bethlehem 2,25; Bethesda 3,65; Carthage 5,00, China Grove 10,00, Galatia 2,00, Iona 1,00, Lebanon 2,10, Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Tabor 2,00, Macedonia 75 cts, Mt. Pisgah 1,00, Pee Dee 3,55; Philadelphus 1,00, Sardis 7,99, St. Paul's 1,00, Shiloh 2,00, Sharon 1,25; Sandy Grove 1,95; St. Andrew's 2,00, Liberty 2,00 --- Total - --- $57,29,

Amount remitted to date - --- " 18,70,

Will be remitted first week in May 40,39,

Bethel 3,00, Buffalo 8,00, Euphronia 4,00, Fayetteville 9,27 Lumberton 3,65; Laurinburgh 2,45; Laurel Hill 3,60, McPherson's 2,63, Smyrna 2,40, Total $39,00,

Amount remitted to L. M. Currie ---- " 35,00,

Balance on hand --- 4,00,

Invalid Fund. Antioch $2,00, Buffalo 9,65; Bethesda 2,80, Big Rockfish 10,00, Bethel 1,00, Bluff 7,00, Centre 7,40, China Grove 10,00, Galatia 2,10, Iona 1,00, Laurel Hill 6,40, Lumberton 6,80, Lebanon 1,62, Lumber Bridge 95 cts, Montpelier 1,00, Mt. Tabor 3,00, Macedonia 65 cts, Mineral Spring 1,40, Pee Dee 5,10, Philadelphus 1,25; Shiloh 3,00, Smyrna 2,20, St. Andrew's 4,00, Salem 3,00, St. Paul's 8,00, Sardis 13,10, Total $114,42,

Amount remitted to date - " 94,32,

Balance on hand $20.10.

Foreign Missions. Bethel 7.00. Big-Rockfish 10.00. Bluff 6.00. Buffalo 28.50. China Grove 12.06. Euphronia 29.00. Flat Branch 1.16. Fayetteville 16.75; Galatia 1.65; Iona 1.00. Lebanon 3.60. Lumberton 6.45; Laurel Hill 9.70, Lumber-Bridge 2.81. Montpelier 2.00. Mt. Tabor 1.00. Mt. Carmel 3.25; Mt. Pisgah 1.00. Mineral Spring 4.10. Pee Dee 5.30. Presbyterial Collection 18.96. Rockingham 2.75; St. Pauls 24.00. Sharon 1.00. Smyrna 7.40. St. Andrew's 4.00. Sandy Grove 4.80. Sardis 7.40. Salem 2.00. Virzo 2.25; Laurinburgh Sabbath-School. Walter and John McEachin each 1.00. Total ——— $128.89.

Amount remitted to date -- " 85.70.

Balance on hand ——— " 43.19.

Presbyterial Ed. Antioch $25.50. Ashpole 9.60. Bethel 12.00. Big-Rock Fish 15.00. Bethesda 12.00. Buffalo 30.00. Bru-Salem 5.00. Barbacue 4.00. Bluff 10.72. Carthage 15.50. Centre 20.00. China Grove 15.00. Flat Branch 3.00 Galatia 15.00. Iona 8.00. Lumberton 18.76. Lumber-Bridge 10.00. Laurinburgh 10.00. Laurel Hill 20.00. Montpelier 3.00. Mt. Tabor 5.00. Mt. Carmel 4.50. Mt. Pisgah 4.00. Mineral Spring 10.00. Macedonia 5.00. McPherson's 10.00. Pee Dee 10.00. Philadelphus 3.75. St. Paul's 18.00. Sharon 8.00. Salem 5.00. Smyrna 16.00. Sardis 8.00. Sandy Grove 6.05. Sharon 6.00. Hyperion 6.00. St. Andrew's 8.00. Virzo 10.00. Union 24.00. Total ——— $425.38.

Balance from 1876 report -- " 36.52.

$461.90.

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 17 Ministers, and has under its care 49 Churches, 3 Licentiates, and 2 Candidates, viz:

Ministers, Licentiates, and Candidates.	Post Offices.	Churches.	Officers: Elders.	Officers: Deacons.	Communicants: Added on Examination.	Communicants: Added on Certificate.	Communicants: Total of Communicants.	Baptized: Adult.	Baptized: Infant.	Baptized: No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Children in Sabbath School & Bible Classes.	Funds Collected: Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	For'n Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries Actually Paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P	6	3	7	5	130		7	80	28	$ 2 35	$ 1 60	$ 2 00	$ 1 75	$ 2 70	$ 2 00		$ 64 50		$ 7 75
" " P	" "	Philadelphus, P	6	4		2	80		3	46	25	1 00	1 00	1 25	4 00	1 00	2 00	$ 7 00	81 42		2 40
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville,	McPherson's, S. S	3	4	2	1	80		4	48	38	3 58	7 91	3 94	7 18	3 22	4 00	10 00	218 00	$ 4 00	
" " "	"	Galatia, S. S	5	4	1	1	108		5	47	40	3 39	6 55	2 10	1 65	3 66	2 00	11 48	253 50		
" " "	"	Lumber Bridge, S. S	4	4		1	83		1	50	20	2 63	3 50	95	2 81	3 00		10 00	206 95	8 76	2 15
Neill McKay, D. D., W. C.	Summerville,																				
Andrew McMillan, W. C.	Rockingham,																				
Archibald Baker, P	Shoe Heel,	Centre, P	9	6	23	1	218	2	10	152	193	50 69	6 61	6 61	139 86	25 00	10 00	20 00	600 00	86 81	215 00
D. D. McBryde, P	Little River Academy,	Bluff, P	5	6	3		155		1			4 75	7 00	6 00	6 25	5 80	10 72		253 22	90 00	
" S. S.	" " "	Sardis, S. S	3	3	4	3	67	1	5		20	16 67	15 40	13 10	59 40	22 84	7 99		350 00	27 00	
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage,	Carthage, P	7	6	4		153		4	20	30	3 00	4 00	1 00	13 00	6 00	3 00	15 00	213 00		
" " P.	"	Union, P	8	6	5	2	300		13	130	125	3 00	2 55	3 00	47 45	6 00	3 00	24 00	200 00	3 70	
" " S. S.	"	Bethesda, S. S	4	2	6		114		2	43	24	3 65	3 15	2 80	38 50	4 00	3 65	12 00	178 25		
Joseph Evans, P	St. Paul's,	St. Paul's, P	5	4	4		147	3	12		80	5 85	1 00	8 00	24 00	12 00	1 00	18 00	358 00	6 00	5 00
" " P	"	Big Rockfish, P	5	5	5	1	122	2	6		30	5 00	1 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	1 00	10 00	225 00	10 00	
" " S. S.	"	Mt. Tabor, S. S	3	1	7	2	45	2	1		22	1 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	5 00	1 00	5 00	95 50		
" " S. S.	"	Sherwood, S. S	2		24		49	15	4		50	1 00		6 00	8 00	5 00	1 00	8 00	250 00		
James McQueen, W. C.	Swan's Station,																				
N. T. Bowden, W. C.	Morven,																				
Archibald McQueen, P.	Shoe Heel,	Iona, P	5	3	7	1	108	6	6	12	50	1 83	1 83	1 83	1 90	1 83	1 83	10 00	250 00		
John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh,	Laurinburgh, S. S	6	3	3	4	84		8	53	24	4 15	2 45	7 41	12 40	8 61	1 96	10 00	475 60	1 89	18 60
" " S. S.	"	Bethel, S. S	7	2	9	1	92	1	15	73	56	1 00	3 00		1 00	7 00	2 65	2 30	275 00	77 00	
" " S. S.	"	Montpelier, S. S	1			8	13		4	15	18	2 00	2 00	2 00	10 40	3 91	2 00	3 00	258 25	60 00	
H. G. Hill, P	Fayetteville,	Fayetteville, P	6	6	11	3	184	6	8		185	17 30	6 60	4 55	748 98	5 10	7 40	32 00	925 00	1,039 83	14 65
David Fairley, P	Manchester,	China Grove, P	1		1			2	2	12		10 00	10 00	10 00	22 00	11 00	10 00	15 00	300 00		
" " S. S.	"	Sandy Grove, S. S	5	4	2		63	1	6	56	25	4 85			4 80	2 00	1 95	5 50	170 00		
" " S. S.	"	Church of the Covenant, S. S	1		2	18	20			6	7				16 61						14 65
A. N. Ferguson, P	Laurinburgh,	Laurel Hill, P	5	5	3		219	3	3			16 75	10 70	6 45	9 70	15 60	5 00	20 00	300 00		9 75
" " S. S.	"	Smyrna, S. S	5	4	2		104	1	2		40	4 00	6 40	2 20	6 55	5 80	2 60	16 00	322 00		
K. M. McIntyre, P	Butler's Ford,	Mineral Spring, P					135														
William S. Lacy, P. 17	Jonesboro,	Buffalo, P	11	8	6	1	243	2	9	93	235	24 00	17 00	10 00	127 00	10 00	13 00	30 00	546 00	82 00	20 00
" " P	"	Euphronia, P	7	5	2		110		5	65	55	10 00	16 00	4 00	74 00	12 00	5 00	12 00	333 00	7 00	8 00
		Ashpole, V	12	6			253		5		48	5 85	2 65		18 10				540 95		42 00
		St. Andrew's, V	6	3	3	1	104	1	5	59	28	5 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	2 00	8 00	182 75		10 00
		Barbecue, V	3	5	2	1	89		1									4 00			
Licentiate,		Mt. Pisgah, V	4	2	1	3	45					1 30			1 00	1 00	1 00				
David A. McRae, S. S.	Melrose, Robeson, Co., "	Lebanon, S. S	3	1	4	8	32		6	19	35	1 25	2 50	1 62		2 50	1 25	5 00	229 00	7 50	75
		Lumberton, V	3	2	3		45	1		40	20	5 00	5 35	5 80	34 55	4 55	3 43	18 00	266 66		5 50
		Ben-Salem, V	4	4	3		100		2		26	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	3 00	1 00		100 00		
		Pee Dee, V	3		1		21	1	1			4 70	1 65	1 59	7 50	10 00	4 70	10 00	200 00		
		Macedonia, V	5	3	1		100		5		15	1 00			2 00	1 20	1 00		50 00		
		Flat Branch, V	4	2		3	46		2		20	1 00	2 19	1 16	2 00	1 00		3 00			
		Bethlehem, V	1				10					1 76	1 10			1 00	2 25		25 00	4 00	
		Longstreet, V	4	4	1		58	1	3	12	20	2 24	2 19	2 18	2 20	2 20	2 18	10 00	60 00		
		Cypress, V	5	4	2	1	80		9	100		2 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	1 80		100 00		
		Salem, V					30														
		Tirza, V					50														
		Mt. Carmel, V					55														
		Mark's Creek, V					30														
		Harmony, V					56														
		Sharon, V					75														
		Rockingham, V					9														
		Mizpeh, V. 49					14														
Licentiates.																					
Colin A. Munroe	Crystal Spring, Miss.																				
E. Marshall Munroe. 3	Fayetteville, N. C.																				
Candidates—2.																					
			192	134	164	72	4528	51	185	1231	1632	235 12	161 28	135 45	1483 48	226 52	126 36	364 28	9456 55	1515 49	376 2

Licensures, none; Ordinations, none; Installations, none; Pastoral Relations dissolved, 2; Churches organized, 1 Churches dissolved, none; Churches received from other denominations, none; Churches dismissed to other denominations, none; Ministers received from other denominations, none; Ministers dismissed to other denominations, none; The Rev. Thomas L. DeVeaux has been removed by death since our last report.

By order of the Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Balance on hand

Foreign Missions. Bethel 7.00. Big-Re
China Grove 12.06.
Fayetteville 16.75. G
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Montpelier 2.00. Mt.
Pisgah 1.00. Minera
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Sherwood 1.00. Smy.
Grove 4.80. Sardis
Edinburgh Sabbath-s
each 1.00. Go
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Balance on hand

Presbyterial Antioch $25.50. A
Fish 15.00. Bethesda
5.00. Barbacue 4,
Centre 20.00. China
Galatia 15.00. Iona
Bridge 10.00. Laur
Montpelier 3.00. M
Pisgah 4.00. Minera
McPherson's 10.00.
St. Paul's 18.00. Sh
16.00. Sardis 8.00.
Thyatira 6.00. St.
Union 24.00.
Balance from

57. Paid Rev. D.D. McBryde by order of Presbytery — $15.00.
Bill N.C. Presbyterian printing Minutes — " 45.01.
Mr. D.C. McIntyre Com. to General Assembly — " 25.00
Salary Stated Clerk to October 1st 1876 — " 25.00.
Salary Treasurer to Oct. 1876 (one year) — " 50.00.
Bill N.C. Presbyterian printing Minutes — " 67.77.
Rev. H. M. McIntyre Com. Gen. Ass. — " 25.00.
" " " Extra allowance — " 10.00.
Assessment General Assembly — " 90.00.
Salary of Stated Clerk to April 1877. " 25.00.
464.70
Salary of Treasurer of Presbytery to April 1877. " 402.78.
Balance on hand — 59.12

One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Sessions.
Fee Dee Church, Richmond C. H.,
October 11th 1877.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met, according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Archibald Baker, from Philippians 1:1.

Opening Sermon. "Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus, which are at Philippi, with the Bishops and deacons."

Organized. After sermon Presbytery was constituted with prayer by Rev. A. S. Ferguson, the last Moderator present.

Present Ministers. Present: Ministers — H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, N. McRae, D.D. A. McMillan, Archibald Baker, A. McLean, N. T. Bowden, A. McLean, H. G. Hill, A. S. Ferguson, L. M. McIntyre and William S. Lacy.

Churches represented. Churches represented — Ashpole, D. D. Sinclair; Bethel, D. McDiarmid; Cypress, Dugald McLauchlin; Bethesda, Neill Graham; Buffalo, David McIntyre; Harmony, D. D. McRae; Lacerinburgh, A. McKinnon; Macedonia, H. E. McAuley; Mineral Spring, D. B. Campbell; Fee Dee, Dr. D. N. Patterson; Sandy Grove, John A. Gillis, and Sharon, Angus McInnes.

Absent Ministers. Absent — Ministers — D. D. McBryde, Joseph Evans, James McLean, John H. Cobb and David Fairley.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented — Antioch and Philadelphus, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Big-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish and St. Paul's, Centre, China Grove, Church of the Covenant, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Iona, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, McPhersons, Marks Creek, Mizpah, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Smyrna, St. Andrew's, Sharon and Tirzah.

Mod. & Clerks chosen. Rev. A. McMillan was chosen Moderator, and Rev. N. T. Bowden and Daniel McIntyre Temporary Clerks.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for half an hour. After recess Presbytery met. The Minutes of the last regular meeting were not read, but those of the pro re-nata meeting at Lacerinburgh were read, corrected and approved.

Absentees excused. The following brethren rendered satisfactory reasons for absence, viz: Rev. Messrs Andrew McMillan, at last meeting, N. T. Bowden for several preceding meetings and H. M. McIntyre at last meeting.

Committees announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees:

On Religious Exercises — H. M. McIntyre and N. T. Bowden, and Dr. D. N. Patterson.

Minutes of General Assembly — Rev. Wm. S. Lacy and D. McIntyre.

Narrative to Synod — Rev. Messrs A. McLean and A. S. Ferguson.

On Finance — Dr. McKay, H. McLean, T. D. McLauchlin.
Calls and Supplies — H. G. Reid, A. McLean and D. D. McRae.
Nominations — Archibald Baker and H. McLean.

Treas. Report. The Treasurer's Report was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

E. M. Monroe dismissed. Mr. E. Marshall Monroe, one of our Licentiates, was, at his own request, dismissed to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Ocean Chico, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Rev. C. M. Shipperson. Rev. C. M. Shipperson of the Presbytery of Louisiana, being present was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

D. College. The Report of the Trustees of Davidson College was read and ordered to be placed on file.

Free Conversation. On motion, Free Conversation on the state of Religion was made the first order of the day for to-morrow.

Systematic Beneficence. Rev. Messrs. A. McLean, William S. Lacy and M. McKennon were appointed the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Churches ceased. The following Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented at our last meeting, viz: Harmony, Long, Laurel Hill, Lacrinburgh, Libanon, Leeches Bridge, Galatia, McPherson, Macedonia, Per Dee, Salem, Sharon, Smyrna, Tirzah, Mt. Carmel and Mineral Spring.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

October 12th 1877.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

W. Warden & Rev. J. H. C. Mr. William Warden, Ruling Elder of Fayetteville Church, and Rev. John H. Cobb appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Orders of the day. On motion, the report of the Substitution Committee was made the first order of the day for this afternoon; the report on Education the first order of the day for to-morrow morning; on Foreign Missions the first order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

In the absence of Rev. David Fairley, Agent for Publication, Rev. H. G. Reid was appointed to report on that subject, as the second order of the day for to-morrow afternoon.

Rev. S. T. Martin & Rev. M. Sherrill. Rev. S. Taylor Martin, of the Mecklenburg Presbytery, and Rev. M. Sherrill of the M. E. Church, South, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Free Conversation. The first order of the day for this forenoon, viz: Free Conversation, was taken up, when statements on that subject were made.

Pending these reports, Rev. W. B. Dowd of

Rev. N. D. D. the M. E. Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

R. Es appear. The following Ruling Elders appeared and tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: A. B. Currie, Ben-Salem Church and Col. Alexander J. McLaurin Smyrna Church.

Recess. On motion, Presbytery took recess for five minutes to meet in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met and completed the order of the day for this morning.

Recess 30 m. On motion, Presbytery took recess for half an hour.

After recess Presbytery met. The Committee on

Report on Finance. Finance presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Finance have reviewed the Treasurer's statement of accounts, showing what has been received and expended since the annual report in the spring. There is an overdraft of one dollar in the account with Sustentation against the Treasurer; his attention is called to the same.

The Committee would Ministers and other Church officers of the repeated injunctions of Presbytery requiring all funds collected for benevolent purposes to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Presbytery; and they call the special attention of the same, and that of the Treasurer, to the action of Presbytery, September 26th 1878; where the Treasurer

is "authorized to receive all funds collected in our Churches;" and is required to forward funds for benevolent objects to the Assembly's Treasurer once in two months, with a list of the Churches contributing and the amount contributed by each; and that this list be published in the N. C. Presbyterian when the remittance is made.

Finance This Committee likewise placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk fourteen dollars ($14.00) collected by them for the deficiency due L. W. Currie as former Evangelist, paid by the following Churches, viz: Union $1.00, Beerchego 1, Antioch 1, Philadelphus 1, Sharon 1, Ashpole 2, Tirzah 1, Salem 1, Flat Branch 1, Zion 1, Bethesda 1, Cypress 1, Pee Dee 1 — making — $14.00. Afterwards paid to Stated Clerk by Macedonia Church fifty cents. For Evangelistic fund by Tirzah Church $3.00.

Concluded. [This seems now properly placed in the proper hands]

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after this evening, was granted to Rev. Neill McKay, Rev. Hector McLean, John A. Gillis and Dr. Duncan Sinclair.

Ashpole Rev. C. M. D. Ashpole Church requested permission to employ Rev. C. M. Shipperson for twelve months on a salary of $800, per annum, which, on motion, was referred to Committee on Calls & Supplies

Nominations report. — The Committee on Nominations presented the following report, which was adopted:

F. M. — Foreign Missions — no change.

Institutions — Institutions — Dr. H. McIntosh in place of Dr. Duncan Sinclair, and Joseph A. McArthur in place of Duncan Shaw.

Colporteur. — Colporteur — No change.

E. History. — Ecclesiastical History — Rev. A. Baker in place of Rev. T. L. DeWeese deceased.

V. Com. — No change in Visiting Committees.

S. Clerk write to Ch. of H. — On motion, the Stated Clerk was instructed to write to all the Churches having Stated Services, before each Spring meeting of Presbytery,

Themes F. P. H. — The following themes for trial pieces were assigned to Mr. Frank P. Harrell:—

Latin Exegesis — An sit Christus Deus?

Lecture — Twenty Third Psalm.

Critical Exercise Hebrews 6; 4—6.

Sermon — Galatians 6; 14.

Report on Min. G. Ass. — The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly respectfully, Report, that they have carefully examined the same and find the following matters, to which they direct the attention of the Presbytery:

1st. With reference to the Bible cause, page 409, the Committee recommend the following

Report continued. — action; In obedience to the injunction of the General Assembly, the Presbytery reiterates its order to the Churches in its bounds to take an annual collection for the Bible cause, forwarding the contributions, if not needed for distributions at home, through the agency of the Bible Society.

2nd. With reference to the interpretation of the law of the Church concerning worldly amusements, (page 411.) the Committee recommend the following action:

The Presbytery directs the pastors and Supplies of Churches to read the deliverance of the Assembly to their Congregations.

3rd With reference to the subject of Systematic Beneficence (page 415.) the Committee call attention to the following items: (1.) Fayetteville Presbytery is reported delinquent, as no report on Systematic Benevolence was forwarded to the General Assembly — should not the reason be inquired into?

2nd In the first resolution the General Assembly enjoins certain duties on pastors and supplies.

Your Committee think that Presbyteries being constituent members of the Assembly, it is competent for the Assembly to issue injunctions only to Presbyteries.

3rd The Assembly's injunctions to Presbyteries are stringent and detailed, and should

Minutes G. Ass. Continued.

be made known and acted upon.

The Committee recommend the following action:

1. That pastors and Supplies be directed to inform the Sessions and Deacons of their respective Churches of the requirements of the General Assembly enjoined upon the Presbyteries.

(2nd.) That Church Sessions be required to send to the Spring meetings of Presbytery (if there be such failure) concerning systematic Beneficence.

(3rd.) That the Committee of Systematic Beneficence at the Spring meetings of Presbytery, in making up the Presbyterial report on this subject to the General Assembly, be required to report to Presbytery (a) if any Churches have failed to obey the requirements of this Court in taking up Collections, (b.) and if any have failed, whether they have sent written reasons for said failure, which shall be made known to the Presbytery, so that judgment may be passed thereon.

(4.) With reference to the Assembly's action concerning Foreign Missions (p. 417.) the Committee recommend: That in accordance with injunction of Assembly upon Presbyteries, this Presbytery requires its pastors and Supplies to preach to their respective Charges at the commencement of every ecclesiastical year on "the great duty of sending the Gospel to the unevangelized nations of the earth".

Continued.

(5.) With reference to the Assembly's action concerning Education (p. 420.) the Committee deem it only necessary to call attention to the action of the Assembly, and refer the subject to the Presbytery's Executive Committee of Education.

(6.) With reference to the Revised Book of Church Order, and the General Assembly's action thereon, the Committee recommend the following action (p. 424, 426, and 430,) which has heretofore approved the work of revision, The ~~Presbytery~~ refers the Book, thus revised and amended, to a Committee, carefully to consider, and to recommend, at the next meeting of Presbytery what action should be taken concerning the Book as a whole, and concerning the several propositions to be voted upon separately.

(7.) The Committee call attention to the recommendation of the Assembly commending the "Presbyterian Historical Society" as a receptacle and conservator of contributions of historical matters relative to the Presbyterian Church. (p. 432.)

(8.) With reference to the Sabbath-School interests, the Committee recommend that the directions & injunctions of the Assembly upon Presbyteries be referred to the Presbyterial Agent of Sabbath Schools, that they may be brought to the attention of Presbytery. (p. 434.)

(9.) With reference to the General Assembly's action concerning the cause of Publication

Continued. though there is no injunction upon Presbyteries, your Committee recommend the following action:

The Presbytery regards with pleasure the careful consideration given to this interest in the Assembly, and their laudable efforts to correct errors of past administration, to reduce expenditures and to conduct in future the operations of the Committee in a simpler and more economical manner.

(10.) With reference to the Constitution of the ~~Committee~~ Committee for the Education of a Coloured Ministry, and the General Assembly's recommendations in connection therewith, the Committee, the Committee recommend the following action, (pp. 440, 441.):

1. That while the Presbytery would defer into the Constitution of another Executive Committee, believing that perhaps the work might be efficiently conducted under the auspices of the Executive Committee of Education, the Presbytery heartily approves the views of the Assembly, and of its agency, the Tuskaloosa Institute, for the training of coloured men for the Ministry among their own race.

(2.) That Presbytery order its Churches to take up an annual collection on the first Sabbath in December, the day appointed by the General Assembly, for the Executive Committee for the Education of a Coloured Ministry

(11.) The Committee call attention of Presbytery to the Assembly's recommendations concerning the form of Narratives of Presbyteries to the General Assembly on the state of religion, found on page 441.

(12.) The Committee call attention of Presbytery to the resolution of Assembly advising Presbyteries, in electing Commissioners in future, who might remain in attendance two weeks, if needful.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

William S. Lacy,

D. McIntyre.

Sustentation. Report of Committee of Sustentation.

The Committee of Sustentation would report as follows for the six months ending October 1st 1877:

1st As to contributions for Sustentation during the past year.

During those six months, according to the Treasurer's Report, Ten Churches have contributed to this cause $40.66; thirty-nine Churches have reported no contributions. Last year, during the same period, fourteen Churches gave $45.81.

The $66.67, mentioned in last spring's report as refunded by Licentiate C. A. Munroe, was returned to the Assembly's Treasurer of Sustentation, according to the order of Presbytery.

The appropriation of $100, asked for the current year, to aid McPhatter's Church in employing Licentiate D. A. McRae, and referred to in our

Continued, last report, had its first installment paid last March, but the second installment has not been received.

2nd, As to contributions to Evangelistic Fund.

The Treasurer reports twelve Churches as contributing to this fund $47.74; Thirty-seven Churches have forwarded no contributions to this object during the period covered by this report. Last year, within the same time, twelve Churches gave $57.52.

3rd, As to contributions to Invalid Fund and appropriations asked.-

The Treasurer mentions sixteen Churches as contributing to this fund $41.74; thirty-three Churches are not reported as giving anything to this cause, though, as the time for taking up the collection was in July last, there may be funds for this cause in the hands of Church Treasurers. Last year, in the corresponding six months, ninetien Churches gave $63.87.

For the current year ending July 1878, your Committee has asked the following appropriations

For Mrs John M. Sherrard — $100.00.
" Miss Susan Hoagland — " 50.00.
Whole amount — $150.00.

4th As to amount due L.W. Currie.

At the spring meeting of 1876, Presbytery ordered the Churches to take up a collection for paying Licentiate L.W. Currie a balance due him for services rendered as Evangelist and Colporteur during the year 1872. The following

Continued, Churches complied with this order: Lumberton, Euphronia, Buffalo, Laurinburgh, Bethel, Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Fayetteville and McPherson's.

They contributed $39, and $36, remain unpaid.

5th, As to supplies for vacant Churches.

Lumberton — Archibald Baker one Sab't sacraments.
Bethlehem — J. P. McPherson " " "
Long-Street — David Freeley " " "
Cypress — William S. Lacy " " "
Marks's Creek — A. N. Ferguson " " "
Mizpeh — A. McMillan " " "

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to notify each one of these Churches, through their Ministers or Elders, of this deficit, and to direct them to take up a collection immediately and forward to Presbyterial Treasurer for cancelling the debt due Licentiate L.W. Currie.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Hill, Chairman.

The above report was adopted.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

October 13th 1877.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, Corrected and approved.

Supplies asked for.

The following Churches viz: Sharon, Fee Dee, Ben-Salem, and Macedonia applied for permission to secure a portion of the time of Rev. K. M. McIntyre, which was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Fayetteville Rev. L. G. H.

A Communication was recieved from the Fayetteville Church asking for a reduction in the salary of their Pastor, which was read and referred to the Committee on Calls & Supplies.

Education Report.

The Committee of Education presented their report, which was accepted, amended and adopted. It is as follows: viz:

The Committee of Education submit the following Report for the six months ending October 1st 1877:

1st. With reference to candidates for the Ministry. Mr. Frank P. Hearell completed his scholastic course at Davidson College in June last, and entered Union Theological Seminary at the beginning of the present session. Mr. Lauchlin A. McLean having gone through the Sophomore year at Hampden Sidney College, was advised by your Committee, in view of the peculiar circumstances of his case, to enter the Seminary as a regular student, and to avail himself of the privilege allowed of prosecuting such studies in the College as might be necessary to qualify him

Continued, for Presbyterial examination. He entered the Seminary early in the session; and both of the candidates under your care are now in the first year of their theological course.

2nd. With reference to appropriations.

The Assembly's Committee have appropriated to each of these young brethren $175. for the present year. They are also due Mr. L. A. McLean $58. deficit on appropriation for the year 1875. making the total of their obligations to our candidates amount to $408.

All the appropriations for the year ending April 1st 1877. were promptly paid.

3rd. With regard to statistics, your Committee have but little to report. Since the Spring meeting of Presbytery $165.74, have been recieved by the Treasurer of Presbytery, of which $147.74, have been remitted to Assembly's Treasurer, having $18. now in the hands of our Treasurer.

4th. In order to meet the appropriations made to our candidates for the year ending April 1st 1878, we ought to raise, within the bounds of this Presbytery, at the least, $350. For years past we have recieved more than we have contributed — our Presbytery furnishing the men and other Presbyteries the money.

But the number of our candidates is now reduced to two, We ought not only to give as much as we receive, but also to come to the help of the general fund, upon which we have drawn so largely.

Continued. The Assembly's Committee, recognizing the Unity of the Church, have never asked us how much we contributed, but have, without hesitation, always granted the appropriations called for, and paid them promptly.

And now, that our own demands are diminished, the Assembly's Committee, as well as our sister Presbyteries, may justly expect us to do something towards strengthening the common cause.

In view of these considerations, your Committee submit the following resolutions:

That it be enjoined upon the pastors and stated supplies to present the claims of this cause to their people at the times prescribed by the Assembly, and that the sessions of our churches be urged to make a diligent effort to secure enlarged contributions from all the members.

Also the Presbyterial Treasurer be directed to forward the amount in his hands to the Assembly's Treasurer.

Concluded.

Place & time. Presbytery took up the place and time of the next meeting, when Lora Church, Robeson County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1878, at 11 o'clock A.M. as the time.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after forenoon session, was granted to David S. McDiarmid.

Rev. C. M. S. Rev. C. M. Shipperson obtained permission to labor within our bounds during the next twelve months.

Presbytery had recess for few minutes to visit in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met, when the Committee on the Narrative to Synod submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Narrative to Synod.

Your Committee on the State of Religion in the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery, would respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina:

1st. While there is not that degree of spiritual life we would rejoice to see in our churches, still we have enjoyed many tokens of the Divine favor during the past year. Nearly all of our churches which are supplied with the regular means of Grace report additions ranging from one to twenty eight. Two of our churches have enjoyed special seasons of grace, and all report good attendance and attention to the preached word.

2nd. There seems to be a growing interest felt in the religious training of the young and rising generation, and Sabbath Schools are receiving much attention from our pastors and officers of the Church.

Many of our Sabbath School teachers are gently sowing precious seeds of truth in youthful minds, which, watered by the dews of Divine grace, will yet spring up and bring forth fruits to the honor and glory of God.

3rd. The cause of Beneficence has received much attention by our Presbytery, and while, owing to the financial stringency, the aggregate amount of our contributions have decreased, the number of collections will compare favorably

with any previous year.

Narrative Concluded.

While we have great cause for humiliation and confession of our short comings, still we have equal reasons for gratitude and praise to the Great Head of the Church for the degree of success with which He has crowned our public efforts to build up His kingdom.

On motion, a copy of the above paper was ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

Publication & Colportage.

Rev. H. G. Heile, Agent pro tem, for Publication and Colportage, submitted his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

1st. That thirteen Churches during the six months ending October 1st 1877, have contributed to Publication the sum of $34.83.

2nd. That three Churches, during the same period, have contributed to Presbyterial Colportage $5.65; and that there is now in the Treasurer's hands, to the credit of this fund $73.28.

The following resolutions are offered for adoption: 1st Resolved, That the Presbytery commend our important Publication work to the confidence and enlarged liberality of our people.

2nd. That the Presbytery reminds its Churches of the standing rule requiring an annual collection for Presbyterial colportage, and re-enjoins obedience to it.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Heile.

Calls & Supplies.

The Committee on Calls & Supplies reported as follows, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on Calls and Supplies would recommend, that Ashpole be permitted to employ Rev. C. M. Shepherson D.D. as stated supply for one year on a salary of $800, for his whole time. Also that Sandy Grove Church be allowed to employ Rev. David Fairley one fourth of his time for one year on a salary of $200. That the following Churches be permitted to employ Rev. Kenneth M. McIlwro as supply for one year upon the terms specified; Shiloh one fourth of his time on a salary of $175; Pee Dee one fourth of his time on a salary of $200; Bro. Salem one fourth of his time on a salary of $200; Macedonia for a monthly service on Saturday or Sabbath on a salary of $100. That the request of Fayetteville Church to allow the sum placed in their call for their Pastor, Rev. H. G. Heile, from $1500. to $1200. be granted, as the pastor has signified his assent to this change.

Concluded.

H. G. Heile, Chairman.

Churches declared vacant.

Rev. M. McLean reported that he had preached at Cypress Church and declared said Church vacant, and Rev. J. H. Cobb reported that he had preached at Ashpole Church and declared said Church vacant.

Supplies. Supplies to vacant Churches reported, when it appeared that these appointments had been generally filled.

On motion, permission was granted to Rev. A. M. Millar to supply Rockingham Church at discretion, and it was further—

Rockingham & Laurinburg to Ch. S.

Resolved, That Presbytery direct the Committee of Sustentation to send some of its members to visit the Churches of Laurinburg and Rockingham and Concord with the brethren of those charges with reference to securing the regular ministrations of the word, and that this Committee assure the brethren of the continued interest of the Presbytery in those Churches, and our earnest desire for their spiritual welfare.

Systematic Beneficence.

Report on Systematic Beneficence.

This report was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod:

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence, gathering their facts from the free conversation on the state of Religion and from the Statistical Reports to the General Assembly, would respectfully present the following as the Report to Synod.

The Statistics cover the fiscal year closing April 1st, 1877.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina—of our forty-nine Churches:

Thirty-eight Churches gave to Sustentation $222,

Continued. Thirty-three Churches gave to Evangelistic Fund $148,
Thirty-one " " " Invalid Fund " 127,
Thirty-seven " " " Foreign Missions " 872,
Thirty-seven " " " Education " 218,
Thirty-five " " " Publication 117,
Total contributed to General Assembly's Causes $1,704,
Fourteen Churches gave to Miscellaneous Objects 371,
Total contributed to all benevolent causes—$2,075,

Of our forty-nine Churches twenty eight gave to all six objects of Assembly; four gave to five of them; five gave to four of them, one to two of them; one gave to one of them, and two Churches gave to none of the objects enjoined by General Assembly, so far as reported.

The Presbytery further reports, that while there has been a slight decrease in the aggregate ($2077, $2075.) there has been a decided increase in the number of contributing Churches and in the number of collections.

The average is painfully small, occasioned in part, by the fact that two Churches, representing five hundred and fifty members, report nothing; and in part by the fact that so many in all our Churches do nothing.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Leave of absence.

Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Mr. A. McInnes obtained leave of absence. Presbytery took recess for one hour. After recess Presbytery met, when Mr. Neill Graham obtained leave of absence.

Account S. Clerk, The Stated Clerk presented his account for stationery and postage, amounting to $5, which the Treasurer was ordered to pay.

Bible Cause $5. On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay over the funds in his hands for the Bible Cause ($5.) to Rev. C. H. Wiley.

Book Ch. Order The following Committee was appointed to examine the Book of Church Order and report thereon next Spring, Rev. Messrs H. G. Hill and William S. Lacy and B. Fuller Esqr.

Statistical Report. The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was accepted and approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body;

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, That they consist of seventeen Ministers, and have under their care forty-nine churches, one Licentiate, and two candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 20th day of April 1877, they dismissed Mr William M. McGilvary to place himself under the care of Mecklenburg Presbytery; that on the same day they received under their care the Church of the Covenant; that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. A. McLean and Ashpole Church, & declared said Church vacant; that on the 21st day of the same month, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. D. Fairly and Cypress Church, and declared said Church vacant;

Continued. that on the 15th day of September 1877, they dismissed Licentiate Colin A. Monroe, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Mississippi; that on the 11th day of October 1877, they dismissed Licentiate E. Marshall Monroe to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Ouachita, and that the next Stated meeting of Presbytery will be held at Lona Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. By order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Minutes to be pub'd. On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to have three hundred copies of the Minutes of our present Sessions published in pamphlet form and distributed among our Churches.

Com. to G. Assembly. Rev. W. S. Lacy reported for himself and Mr. J. P. Hodges that they attended the last meeting of the General Assembly, which was accepted.

Pres. Fund. On motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was directed to correspond with Churches that are delinquent on the Presbyterial Fund before the first of January 1878.

Vote of thanks. Vote of thanks:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville desires to express its sincere and hearty appreciation of the thoughtful and elegant consideration which has been so generously extended to its members by the members of Per Dee Church

Vote of thanks

and Congregation, and of the Community adjacent, and cordially and unanimously tender its thanks for so marked and courteous hospitality, as gratified to the Presbytery as it has been considerate and lavish on the part of the Congregation.

The Presbytery hereby requests the Supply of this Church to read the foregoing paper from the pulpit to the congregation. The Presbytery also returns its cordial thanks to the Rail Road authorities of C.C. R.R. R & A. R.R. and Western R.R for favours extended the members in attendance upon this body.

Concluded.

On motion, the Report on the Minutes of the General Assembly of 1876, was stricken from the docket.

Recess.

Presbytery to recess for five minutes to meet in the Church.

Foreign Missions

After recess Presbytery met and took up the order of the day for this hour, viz. Foreign Missions, when the Agent on that subject presented his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Report.

In reviewing the work of Foreign Missions during the past year, we have much reason for gratitude and encouragement, and even more for sadness and humiliation.

There has been but little change in the working force of our missions since the last report.

The whole number of Missionaries, Assistants and native helpers, as reported to the

Report continued.

General Assembly, is sixty-eight. Just one half of this number are natives of the Countries in which they labour. Since that report was made the Connection of Rev. Messrs Pratt and Leyburn with our Committee has ceased, and the stations in the United States of Colombia have been abandoned. In a recent letter from our Committee to the women of the Church, we find this statement: "For three years now, the Committee have not been able, from the want of means, to send out a single new missionary to any of our Foreign Stations. The number of ordained American Missionaries now in the field is only twelve, compared with nineteen, who occupied the same ground three years ago.

In five years from this time, according to this rate of retrogression, we shall be without a single ordained Missionary in the heathen world!"

All the stations except the one mentioned, are still occupied, and there have been considerable accessions to the Churches at many of them, and special tokens of God's favour and blessing on the whole work.

But while God has set the seal of His approbation upon it, the people have failed, and the necessary means to carry on the work liberally and effectively, have been withheld.

In the contributions of the whole Church

F. Miss. to the cause of Missions during the last fi-
Continued. nancial year, there was a falling off, as compared with the previous year, of over six thousand dollars. We are happy to find, however, that in the contributions of our Presbytery there has been considerable improvement.

During the financial year closing April 1st 1876. thirty-five of our forty-eight churches gave $698. a fraction over fourteen cents per member. During the financial year closing last April, thirty-seven of our forty-nine churches gave $872. - a fraction over nineteen cents per member.

During the first five months of the current year two churches are reported in the "Missionary", as contributing $81.82, Mission-Schools $36.04. Ladies' Missionary societies $200.58, Miscellaneous $12.14. total $330.58. During the same months of last year the contributions from all sources amount to $224.60. - an increase, for this year of $105.98.

With the exception of a few dollars by Sabbath-Schools, the Ladies' societies have made the increase. The Churches have fal-
Concluded. len behind a small amount.

Respectfully submitted.

M. McLeod Agent.

Trustees Rev. D.D. McBryde was elected a Trustee of

D. College. Davidson College for four years.

Trustees Capt. Neile W. Ray, Capt. J.A. McPherson and Mr.
D. Academy. E. T. McKethan were elected Trustees of Donaldson Academy.

Mizpah Ch. Sold. The Trustees of Presbytery were directed to sign the necessary papers when Mizpah Church building is sold.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

Presbytery adjourned, to meet in Charlotte, N.C. during the sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Note. In addition to the sums collected at Presbytery for L.W. Curric, and which are acknowledged in the body of the Minutes, I hereby acknowledge the following fragments; From Pee Dee Church, for Foreign Missions $15. Presbyterial Collection for Foreign Missions $19. From Pee Dee Church for Invalid Fund $5. From Tirza Church for Evangelistic Fund $3. Amount collected $42. This has been sent to Rev. Richard McIlvaine D.D. Treasurer, Baltimore Md.

J. P. McP. Stated Clerk.

Pro re nata Meeting.

Pro re nata

Laurinburgh, N.C. Sept. 15th 1877.

Presbytery met according to the following call of the Moderator, viz: "At the request of two Ministers and two Ruling Elders (Form of Government Chap. 10. Sec. 10) I do hereby call a Pro re nata meeting of Fayetteville Presbytery to be held in the Presbyterian Church, in Laurinburgh, on Saturday before the third Sabbath in September, at 11 o'clock A.M. to consider the request of C. A. Monroe (Licentiate) for a letter of dismission to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Mississippi.

Call.

A. N. Ferguson Moderator.

Present.

The Presbytery was opened with a sermon by Rev. Archibald Baker from Romans 8: 9. after which it was constituted with prayer by the Moderator, Rev. A. N. Ferguson.

Present – Rev. A. N. Ferguson Rev. Archibald Baker and Rev John H. Cobb, Ruling Elders, N. A. Carrie Laurinburgh and Peter McRae, Smyrna.

C. A. Monroe dismissed.

Mr. C. A. Monroe, Licentiate, was dismissed at his own request, to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Mississippi

and the Stated Clerk was directed to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Presbytery closed with singing, prayer and benediction.

A. N. Ferguson Moderator

J. H. Cobb Temporary Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting.

Charlotte, N.C. October 26th 1877.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator and was opened with prayer.

Present – Rev Messrs H. McLean, J. P. McPhatter, Neill McKay D.D. A. McLean, James McLean and H. G. Hills, with Ruling Elders, Mr. Neill Ferguson and Angus Blue.

Rev. H. G. Hills was appointed temporary Clerk.

On motion, Rev. Neill McKay D.D. was authorized to supply the following churches until next meeting of Presbytery, viz: Tirza, Salem and Flat Branch; and also, that Rev. James McLean, for the same time, supply the following churches, viz: St. Andrews, Mt. Pisgah and Barbecue.

Presbytery took recess to meet at the call of the Moderator.

Charlotte, N.C. October 27th 1877.

The Minutes of yesterday were read & approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Iona Church, Thursday before the fourth

Sabbath in April 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M.
Closed with prayer and apostolic benediction.
H. G. Hill Clerk Pro tem.

Appendix - Treasurer's Report.
See Printed Sheet.

Iona Church.
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PRESENT:

Rev. Messrs. H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D. D., M. McQueen, James McQueen and H. G. Hill, with Ruling Elders McNeill, Ferguson and Angus Blue.

Rev. H. G. Hill was appointed Temporary Clerk.

On motion, Rev. Neill McKay, D. D., was authorized to supply the following churches until next meeting of Presbytery, viz: Tirza, Salem and Flat-Branch, and also that Rev. James McQueen, for the same time, supply the following churches, viz: St. Andrew's, Mt. Pisgah and Barbacue.

Presbytery took recess to meet at call of the Moderator.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., October 27, 1877.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Iona church, Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1878, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Closed with prayer and Apostolic Benediction,

H. G. HILL, *Clerk pro tem.*

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Foreign Missions—Centre $24 91, Iona 1 90, Montpelier 8 40, Sherwood 8 00, Sharon 5 00, Church of Covenant 16 61, Cypress 5 00, Lumber Bridge 4 31, Rockfish 10 00, Buffalo 30 00, Tirza 4 75, Mineral Spring 1 78, Bethel 6 40, Salem 3 15, Galatia 4 65, Jannett McEachern 1 00. Total $135 86. Remitted $75 13. Balance $60 73.

Education—Bethesda $4 00, Carthage 6 00, Centre 25 00, Flat-Branch 2 00, Iona 1 83, Montpelier 2 91, Union 6 00, Sharon 3 00, Euphronia 12 00, Cypress 3 00. Total $65 74. Amount remitted $47 74. Balance $18 00.

Sabbath in April 1878, at 11, o'clock A.M.
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Sustentation—Carthage $3 00, Centre 5 60, Flat-Branch 1 00, Iona 1 83, Montpelier 1 00, Philadelphus 1 00, Union 3 00, Sharon 2 00, Euphronia 10 00, Church of Covenant 12 23. Total $40 66.

Evangelistic—Rockfish $1 00, Carthage 3 00, Centre 6 61, Iona 1 83, Montpelier 1 00, Mt. Tabor 1 00, St. Paul's 1 00, Sharon 1 00, Euphronia 12 00, Bethel 3 00, Buffalo 14 00, Salem 2 30. Total $47 74. Remitted $45 44. Balance $2 30.

Invalid Fund—Carthage $1 00, Centre 6 61, Iona 1 83, Montpelier 1 00, Sherwood 4 00, Union 3 00, Sharon 1 00, Tirza 2 00, Mineral Spring 1 05, Euphronia 4 00, Cypress 1 80, Lumber-Bridge 1 75, Bethlehem 6 00, Bethel 2 00, Salem 1 90, Galatia 2 80, Rockfish 10 00. Total $51 74. Remitted $29 04. Balance $22 70.

Presbyterial—Antioch $7 35, Barbacue 4 00, Bethesda 12 00, Rockfish 10 00, Buffalo 30 00, Carthage 15 00, Centre 20 00, Euphronia 12 00, Flat-Branch 3 00, Iona 10 00, Laurel Hill 20 00, Laurinburgh 10 00, Lebanon 5 00, Lumberton 4, Montpelier 3 00, Mt. Tabor 5 00, Philadelphus 7 00, Sandy Grove 5 50, Smyrna 16 00, St. Paul's 18 00, Sherwood 8 00, Union 24 00, Bethel 9 34, Salem 5 00. ret'd by J. P. Hodges, Commissioner to General Assembly, 2 50. Total $265 69.

Colportage—Antioch $1 00, Bethel 2 30, Lumber-Bridge 2 35. Total $5 65—making amount to credit of Colportage $73 28.

Bible Cause—Tirza $2 00, Salem 3 00. Total $5 00.

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Iona Church, Robeson County, N.C.,
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Sermon.

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Mt. Tabor, D. S. Smith; Smyrna, Alexander McRae; St. Paul's, D. McFarlan and Shamrock, D. Davis.

Absent. Absent - Ministers Neill McKay D.D. A. McMillan, James McLean, N. T. Bowden, David Fairley and K. M. McIntyre.

Churches not represented - Barbecue, Bethlehem, China Grove, Church of the Covenant, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Meeks Creek, Macedonia, Mizpah, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sarah's, Sandy Grove, Shiloh, St. Andrews & Tirzah.

Mod. & Clerks. Moderator and Clerks Chosen;

Rev. M. McLean was chosen Moderator and Messrs John A. McAllister and W. J. Stewart Temporary Clerks.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

Rev. D. F. & A. K. McD. Rev. David Fairley and Mr. A. K. McDeardmid Ruling Elder of the Church of the Covenant, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of last meeting of Presbytery was dispensed with.

Members invited. On motion, Rev. J. J. Carden and Rev. Jack Don Townsend, of the M. E. Church, South,

tendered, and Rev. Messrs C. M. Shipman D.D. of Concord Presbytery and T. J. Allison, of Orange Presbytery, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Rev. C. M. received. A letter of dismission of Rev. C. M. Shipman D.D. from Lexington Presbytery was read after examination, he was, on motion, received as a member of this Presbytery.

Treas. Report. The Treasurer's report was received, read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Order for $43.95. On motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay Jackson and Bell $43.95, for printing the Minutes of Fall sessions of Presbytery.

The following Committees were announced by the Moderator.

Committees Ann'd. On Devotional Exercises - Rev. A. McLean and D. C. McIntyre.

On Finance - Rev. D. Fairley and J. M. Dye.

On Systematic Benevolence - Rev. A. K. Ferguson and M. McNeill.

On Narrative to General Assembly - Rev. D. D. McBryde and A. K. McDeardmid.

On Calls and Supplies - Rev. H. G. Hill and A. S. Baker.

On Reciprocal Duties - Rev. W. S. Lacy & John McKay.

On Minutes of Synod - Rev. J. H. Cobb and D. McFarlan.

Call for Rev. D. F. A Call from the Church of the Covenant for the pastoral services of Rev. D. Fairley was read and referred to the Committee on Calls & Supplies.

Requests from Bethlehem Church for the services of Rev. H. G. Hill, and also from

Requests. Swanboro and Rockingham Churches for the services of Rev. T. J. Allison were read and referred to the same Committee.

Candidates. Reports of the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary as to the standing of Candidates, were referred to the Committee on Education.

State of Religion. On motion, Reports on the State of Religion in the Churches, were read and referred to the Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly.

Order to send reports. On motion, the Committee on the Narrative was ordered to make some report in reference to the Churches that have failed to send up reports on the state of Religion.

Carrsow. A paper was read from certain Presbyterians in and around Carrsow, asking aid of Presbytery in securing preaching, which was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Reciprocal Duties. Reports on Reciprocal Duties were received and referred to the Committee on that subject.

Mizpah Ch. sold. The Committee to sell Mizpah Church building submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz: The Committee of Visitation to which the sale of the Mizpah Church property was entrusted, Report, That they met at Rockingham in December last, and consummated the following arrangements, viz: Mr. S. M. Covington, the proprietor of the land on which the Church is situated, agreed to give a title to two

Continued. acres to the Trustees of Presbytery on the condition, that in case the Church should ever be sold, the proceeds of sale be appropriated to the benefit of the Presbyterian Church in Rockingham. Your Committee accepted the title with the conditions stated, and then sold the Presbytery's interest in Mizpah Church to a Committee representing the Methodist Church in that community on the following terms, viz: three hundred dollars, two hundred ~~payable in~~ dollars to be paid January, 1878, and a note for one hundred dollars payable in January 1879, the Trustees of the Presbytery to receive the money and the note, and give bond for title, to be given when the one hundred dollars is paid.

Concluded. J. H. Cable. Chairman.

Church dissolved. On motion, the name of Mizpah Church was stricken from our Roll, and it was ordered that the members of this Church be directed to unite with Rockingham, or Marks's Creek.

Place & time of next meeting. The place and time of the next meeting of Presbytery was taken up, when Sangaree Church, Richmond County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the first Sabbath in October 1878, at 11 o'clock A.M. was fixed as the time.

Reciprocal duties to be recorded. On motion, it was ordered that the reports on Reciprocal Duties be recorded by the Clerks.

of sessions in their Books of Record.

Visiting Committees.

Visiting Committees reported as follows:
1st " District — Duty discharged in part,
2nd " " — Nothing done.
3rd " " " "
4th " " No report.
5th " " Nothing done.
6th " " Duty discharged in part.
7th " " " " " "
8th " " " " " "

Centre Church, Rev. A. B.

A resolution to continue the permission heretofore granted to Centre Church to change the terms of their call to Rev. A. Baker, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Visiting Committees

On motion, the subject of re-arrangement of the Committees of Visitation was referred to a special Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs Wm S. Lacy, C. M. Shepherson D.D. and H. G. Hill and Ruling Elders D. C. McIntyre and Dr. D. Sinclair.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9 o'clock A.M. to-morrow; Closed with prayer.

Tuesday morning, April 26th 78.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected & approved.

Applications for Supplies.

Applications from Lebanon Church for the services of Licentiate, D. A. McRae; of Galatia and Lumberbridge, for the services of Rev. J. P. McPherson; of Montpelier and Laurinburgh, for services of Rev. J. H. Cobb; of Cypress and McPherson Churches for services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs; Long Street for services of Rev. David Fairley; of Rehoboth for services of Rev. Archibald McQueen; of Bethesda for services of Rev. M. McQueen; Pee Dee for services of Rev. K. M. McIntyre; and Mt. Tabor and Sharrood for services of Rev. Joseph Evans, were, on motion, referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Committee on Sess. Records.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Sessional Records:

Rev. D. Fairley and J. A. McAllister; Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Philadelphus and Rockingham.

Rev. A. McTyre and Duncan Brown; Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's Sharrood, Terzo and Union.

Rev. H. McLean and James S. McQueen; Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Chinquapin Grove, Cypress and Church of the Covenant.

Rev. A. Baker and Dr. D. Sinclair; Antioch, Bethesda, Big-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Buffalo, and Carthage.

Rev. Joseph Evans and Col. A. McMillan;

Sessional Records continued.

Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Lacenburgh and Lebanon.

Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Wm. C. Currie; Centre, Long-Street, Scarbro-Bridge, Scarbroro, McPhersons, Mark's Creek and Macedonia.

Concluded.

Orders of the day.

On motion, it was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning to hear the Report of the Committee on Education, and the first order of the day for this afternoon to hear the Report on Sustentation and the second order for this afternoon to hear the Reports from Churches that have not submitted written reports on the state of Religion.

On motion, it was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow to hear the Report on Foreign Missions.

Overture to Gen. Ass.

On motion the following Overture was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly, viz:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Overture your venerable body as to the propriety of omitting in the future publications of our Church the phrase in the Creed, "He descended into Hell"; first because it is so liable to misrepresentation that it requires explanation. Second, because the sense would be complete without it.

Report on Minutes of Synod.

The Committee on Minutes of Synod, report as follows, which was adopted, viz: The Committee on the Minutes of Synod would call the attention of Presbytery to the resolutions in reference to Sabbath-schools, minutes page 9; also to the resolution in reference to Foreign Missions, Minutes pages 18 and 19; also the resolution of Synod in reference to Education of a Coloured Ministry, page 26; but as the interests referred to are in the hands of Special Agents, your Committee deems it unnecessary to do more than designate the points to which the Synod specially calls the Attention of Presbytery.

J. H. Cobb, Chairman.

3rd Order.

On motion, it was made the third order of the day for to-morrow to hear the report on Publication.

Rev. N. Martin.

Rev. Norman Martin of the Baptist Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Excused Ministers.

Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, J. Evans & D. Fairley tendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Presbytery.

Churches.

The following Churches tendered satisfactory reasons for not being represented: Antioch and Philadelphus, Bluff, Big-Rockfish and St. Paul's, Centre, China Grove, Church of the Covenant, Fayetteville, Iona, Galatia, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Scarbro-Bridge, McPherson's, Mount-Julian, Mt. Tabor, Sardis, Salem and Sherwood.

Supplies to vacant Churches reported, when

it appeared that this duty had been really discharged.

Commissioners chosen. Presbytery proceeded to appoint Commissioners to the General Assembly, when Rev. J. P. McPherson was chosen as principal and Rev. Archibald Baker as alternate.

Dr. John Shaw, Ruling Elder of Carthage Church, was chosen as principal, and Dr. Duncan Sinclair, Ruling Elder of Ashpole, as alternate.

R. Elders appear. Ruling Elders, Walter J. Smith of Bluff Church, & J. S. Smith of Sardis Church, appeared in Presbytery, and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness and their names were enrolled.

Standing Rules. On motion, it was ordered that Rev. W. S. Lacy be instructed to turn to the Stated Clerk 34 copies of the Standing Rules of Presbytery, still unsold; and the balance due Mr. Lacy $6.50, be paid by the Treasurer out of the Presbyterial Fund.

Rev. J. Kelly. Rev. James Kelly of the Presbytery of Wilmington, being present, was, on motion, invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Overture from St. Paul's. An Overture from the Session of St. Paul's Church, asking an interpretation of Chapter 4, Section 21, of Book of Discipline, was read and referred to the Committee of Bills and Overtures, viz; Rev. Messrs H. McLean and D. D. McBryde and Col. Alexander McMillan, Ruling Elder.

Synod. Smyrna Church applies for the services of Rev. A. S. Fergusson, which was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

200 copies of Minutes. On motion, it was ordered, that the Stated Clerk publish two hundred copies of our present Minutes.

The Committee on reciprocal duties presented their report which was read and accepted & again recommitted.

Trustees D.C. It was ordered, that the Stated Clerk give orders on the Treasurer to pay the travelling expenses of our Trustees in Davidson College.

Records approved. The following Sessional Records were approved; Lumber Bridge, McPherson's, Lumberton, St. Paul's, Union, Smyrna, Bethesda, Carthage, Buffalo, Antioch, Big Rockfish, and Bluff.

With exceptions. The following were approved with exceptions; Sharon, Salem and Galatia.

Answer to Overture. The Committee on Overtures from St. Paul's, submitted the following report which was accepted & adopted, viz;

The Session of St. Paul's overtures the Presbytery of Fayetteville for an expression of opinion in reference to what construction a session should place on Chapter 4, Section 13th, in connection with Section 21st. The point on which information is asked is, do these sections confine a session to one of its members, or are they at liberty to appoint some other person?

The Committee recommend this overture be answered in the affirmative.

H. McLean Chairman of Committee of Bills and Overtures.

A.S. Blue, Mr. Neill S. Blue, Ruling Elder of Sandy Grove Church appeared in Presbytery and gave satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Records approved, The following Sessional Records were approved; Mt. Tabor and Montpelier, and those of Rockingham and Laurinburgh with exceptions.

Sardis Ch, Sardis Church applies for the services of Rev. D.D. McBryde, which was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Report on Calls & Supplies, The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted their report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Calls and Supplies would report as follows: That Ashe Church be granted permission, the Pastor having assented to the Charges, to alter their call to Rev. Archibald Baker, so as to make it for three fourths of his time on a salary of $600, per annum; that Bethel Church be permitted to employ Rev. H. G. Hill to give them a monthly service for one year, on Saturday, on a salary of $90; that Bethesda Church be permitted to employ Rev. M. McLean for a year, one Sabbath in each month, on a salary of $200. That Lebanon Church be allowed to employ Licentiate D.A. McRae, during the year, for one third of his time, on a salary of $200. That Pee Dee Church be granted permission to employ Rev. K. M. McIntyre for a year, one fourth of his time, on a salary of $200. That Shiloh Church be allowed to

Report continued. employ Rev. Joseph Evans for a year, to give them preaching and pastoral service once in three weeks, on a salary of $250; also that Mt. Tabor Church be permitted to employ Mr. Evans for a year, to give them preaching once in three weeks, on the afternoon of Sabbath, on a salary of $100; that Shoe Heel Bridge be allowed to employ Rev. J. P. McPherson as stated supply, for one third of his time on a salary of $266.66, and that Galatia Church be permitted to employ him for the same time on a salary of like amount $266.66. That Smyrna Church be permitted to engage the services of Rev. A.M. Ferguson, as stated supply, during a year, one half of his time, on a salary of $350. That Laurinburgh Church be allowed to employ Rev. John McCollum for one year as stated supply, for two thirds of his time, on a salary of $600. And that Mount Julier Church be permitted to employ him for one year, for one third of his time, on a salary of $300. That permission be given for one year, to Rev. G.M. Gibbs, of Concord Presbytery, to labour in the bounds of this Presbytery, at McPherson's Church, according to their request, for one half of his time, on a salary of $250, per annum; at Cypress Church, according to their request for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $125; and at any missionary points where the way may be opened,

Report continued. That the call from the Church of the Covenant for Rev. David Faerley to become their pastor for one fourth of his time on a salary of $300, payable annually, be placed in his hands.

That Sardis Church be permitted to employ Rev. D. D. McBryde, as stated supply for one year, for one third of his time, on a salary of $266.

That Long-Street Church be permitted to employ Rev. David Faerley, as stated supply for one year on one Sabbath in each month, on a salary of $175: and that Bethel Church be permitted to employ Rev. A. McLean, as stated supply, for one fourth of his time on a salary of $250.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted

H. G. Hill
A. Baker } Committee.

Recess. On motion, Presbytery took recess for one hour.

Records approved. The following Sessional Records were approved; Excelsior, Philadelphus and Corydon; and the following with exceptions; Lebanon and Laurel Hill.

Report on Education. The Committee on Education submitted to the Presbytery the following Report:

1st. With reference to Candidates for the Ministry. Your two Candidates, Frank P. Hearell and L. A. McLean, have closed the first year's course in Union Theological Seminary. The standing of these young brethren at the annual examination, as reported by the Faculty was as follows, viz:

Report continued. F. P. Hearell on Biblical Criticism and Greek Exegesis, excellent; on Oriental Literature 84; on Systematic and Pastoral Theology 98, on Ecclesiastical History No. 5, being the highest mark. L. A. McLean, Biblical Criticism, good; Greek Exegesis, very good; on Oriental Literature, 78; on Ecclesiastical History No. 3. 5 being the highest mark; Theology 82.

These reports indicate to the Presbytery the capacity and diligence of your Candidates.

2nd. With reference to the support of Candidates. The Assembly's Committee appropriated $175 to each of your Candidates for the year now closed. At latest advices, there was still a small amount due our Candidates, but our young brethren were expecting to receive the balance in a few days.

3rd. With regard to contributions. Of our forty-eight Churches, thirty-three churches, reporting a membership of 3,384, report an aggregate of contributions, amounting to $242.49, making an average of a fraction over seven cents for member. Three hundred and fifty dollars were appropriated to our Candidates. Average of 6½ cents from each of 3,384 members would have raised the amount, or if the 15 Churches reporting nothing given to this Cause had contributed, the amount required would have been raised. The Committee submitted the following Resolutions; 1. That the Churches

Report — be urged to greater liberality in supporting this cause.

2nd. That the Churches which failed to give to this cause, be ordered to attend to this duty, and forward the money with as little delay as possible.

3rd. That in accordance with the request of Synod, it is enjoined on our Churches to take up an annual collection for the Truro Seminary.

Concluded. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. Cobb, Chairman.

The above report was adopted.

Rev. D. McMillan. — Rev. Donald McMillan, of the Baptist Church, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Request of Rev. T. J. Allison answered. — In answer to the request of Rev. T. J. Allison supplying the Church of Rockingham, for advice concerning holding a meeting of the Session of that Church, only one Elder being at present resident in the bounds of the Congregation, the Presbytery decide, in accordance with Chapter 13, Section 7, that, inasmuch as the only other Elder in that Church is absent, and has been removed from the bounds of the Congregation for two years, the supply be directed to hold meetings of the Session with one Elder, and that the reason for this action and the authority for it be recorded in Session Book. The above paper was unanimously adopted.

Leave of absence. — Leave of absence after this evening was granted to D. A. McArthur, Philip McRae, Duncan Brown, J. M. Dye and D. A. Mallory, and to Rev. J. H. Cobb & A. A. Currie after to-morrow morning's session.

The Records of Bethel Church were approved.

The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted and additional report, which was accepted & adopted:

$100. to Rockingham Ch. — Resolved, That Presbytery direct its Treasurer to pay to Elder of Rockingham Church, A. M. McAuley $100. of the sum received from the sale of Mizpeh, to enable Rockingham Congregation to have the services of Rev. T. J. Allison for half of his time for a year, provided that congregation will raise $150. for the same purpose.

Rev. J. McQueen. — On motion, Rev. James McQueen was excused for absence from the present sessions of Presbytery.

Verbal Reports. — The second order of the day, viz: verbal reports from Churches that did not send up written reports on the state of Religion, was taken up, and the Churches generally reported.

Committee to visit Ashfield Church. — At the request of the Ruling Elder from Ashfield Church, a Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, H. G. Hill and A. N. Ferguson, with Ruling Elders Alexander McRae and D. C. McIntyre, was appointed to visit said Church for the purpose of inquiring into the difficulties understood to exist there, and report to the next meeting of Presbytery.

Sustentation. — The Committee on Sustentation, through its

Report continued.

Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hill, submitted the following report, which was accepted & adopted, & is as follows:

The Sustentation Committee wants report to Presbytery for the year ending April 1st 1878, as follows;

1st As to Ministerial Support. The Presbytery of Fayetteville has eighteen ordained Ministers and one Licentiate. Within our bounds probably three Pastorates are unable to give salaries of $800. The average salary promised laboring Ministers out side of Fayetteville is about $725. This average is smaller than last year by $75.

2nd As to contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year embraced by this report, your Treasurer mentions twenty-four Churches as contributing to Sustentation $152.94. The number of contributing Churches reported is 4 less than last year, but there is an increase in amount of $11.54. Twenty-four of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation, during the past year, though some of them may pay their contributions, during at the present meeting of Presbytery.

For the current year an appropriation of $100. has been asked from the Assembly's Committee of Sustentation to aid Rockingham Church in securing the services of a Minister for half the time. The Assembly's Committee has given us assurance that this amount will be granted as soon as Presbytery appoints a minister for this church.

Report continued.

3rd. As to contributions and appropriations for Evangelistic Work.

For the financial year, your Treasurer reports nineteen Churches as contributing to the Assembly's Evangelistic Fund $90.47. Compared with last this shows a decrease of four contributing Churches, and of $1.67, in the amount. Some Churches may not have forwarded their contributions to this office to the Treasurer, but according to his report twenty nine of our Churches have given nothing to the cause of Domestic Missions in a year, and even our contributing Churches have afforded this work a meagre support.

As we asked last year from the Colored Evangelistic fund more than we contributed to the General Fund for Evangelization, no appropriation has been asked from this fund for the present year.

4th As to contributions and appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year by twenty-one Churches $87.23. Compared with the previous year there is a decrease of five contributing Churches, and of $27.69, in amount. Twenty seven of our Churches are not reported as giving anything to the Invalid Fund for a year, and the amount furnished by our contributing does not equal the sum appropriated to the needy connected with our own Presbytery

Report — continued. by about $33. Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund;

For Mrs Sarah D. Sherwood ——— $100.
" Miss Susan E. Hoogshead ——— " 50.
Whole amount ——— $150.

On account of scarcity of funds, the Assembly's Committee could appropriate to Mrs. Sherwood only $80, and to Miss Hoogshead $40. These amounts have been fully paid and the recipients express their gratitude for the aid rendered.

5th. As to supplies for vacant Churches.

Lebanon — A. Baker, one Sabbath and Sacraments.
Marks Creek — A. T. Ferguson " " " "
Salem — J. P. McPherson " " " "

6th. As to amount due L. Fr. Cloris. At the last fall meeting of Presbytery a balance of $36. was reported as due him. The following churches contributed at that meeting $14.50 towards this deficiency; Union, Carthage, Antioch, Philadelphus, Lebanon, Ashpole, Terza, Salem, Flat Branch, Iona, Bethesda, Cypress, Rocky Creek and Macedonia. The following Churches had previously contributed their quota in bringing this deficiency down to the amount, at which it was reported last fall; Lumberton, Euphronia, Buffalo, Laurinburgh, Bethel, Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Fayetteville, and McPherson's. These twenty-three Churches have complied with the re-iterated order of Presbytery to contribute towards this

Report — concluded. deficiency, while the other twenty four have done nothing, and a balance of $21.50. remains unpaid. Your Committee would recommend that the twenty-four delinquent Churches be directed to contribute towards this deficiency, and that they be notified of this order by the Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Hecht. Chairman.

Records approved. The following Sessional Records were approved with exceptions; Iona and Fayetteville Churches.

Report on S.-Schools. The Presbyterial Agent on Sabbath-Schools made his report, which was accepted and adopted, and copies ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly and Synodical Agent on that subject (See Appendix.)

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9. o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday morning, April 27th 1878.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Clerk appointed. On motion, Mr. A. H. McLeod was appointed Clerk in place of Mr. J. A. McAllister, who had obtained leave of absence.

The Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and, on motion, the Stated Clerk was instructed to fill the blanks required by the General Assembly on this subject from the report of the Committee of Presbytery

Report on Finance. The Committee on Finance would report;

1st. That the books and vouchers of the Treasurer, Mr George P. McNeill, have failed to pass into our hands. We would recommend that a special Committee be appointed to make a settlement with Mr. McNeill, and that said Committee shall turn over all books, vouchers, papers and moneys belonging to the Presbytery to his successor, Rev. J. F. McPherson.

Settlement. This Committee of settlement consists of Rev. D. D. McBryde, Rev. D. Fairley and Mr. B. Fuller.

[For this report see Appendix.]

Systematic Beneficence. The report on Systematic Beneficence was read, and, on motion, adopted, and is as follows, viz;

The Committee appointed on Systematic Beneficence would report as follows: Of our forty-eight Churches, thirty-five have, according to statistical reports, contributed

to the cause of Sustentation $210.63,
Thirty-two to Evangelistic work " 131.04,
Thirty " Invalid Fund " 114.45,
Thirty-five " Foreign Missions " 857.71,
~~Eleven~~ In this is included amounts contributed by Ladies' Missionary Societies.
Thirty-five Churches have contributed to Education $239.72,
Thirty to Publication ---- " 128.13,
Eleven " Miscellaneous purposes " 471.85,
The whole amount given by the Churches which have reported contributions to

Report — Continued. various objects of benevolence, including that under the head of Miscellaneous is $2.132.59.

The following Churches have forwarded no Statistical Reports to this meeting of Presbytery, or if they have, said reports have not come into the hands of your Committee, viz; Bethel, Cyprus, Mineral Springs, Harmony, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Sirzo, Rockingham and Salem. These report number of communicants, but no contributions.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

Publication. The Agent of Publication submitted his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz; Twenty Churches within our bounds have responded to the call of the General Assembly to support the cause of Publication. These have contributed during the year ending April 1st 1878, the sum of $48.60.

The Executive Committee is endeavoring to carry out the instructions of the General Assembly in the curtailment of expenses, by relinquishing the purely business details of manufacturing and selling books and keeping of accounts with subscribers to some private firms, which can do this work cheaper and better than any corporation, not in its nature a business corporation, and possibly-

Publication Committee, do it. It is hoped through the efficient management at present existing, this branch of the Church work will soon reach the point of paying its own expenses with a safe margin each year for losses and other contingencies, thus leaving all the contributions of the Churches to Publication to be devoted to the strictly legitimate work of disseminating religious literature in destitute portions of the Country.

In order to full and speedy accomplishment of this object, it is highly important, if not absolutely necessary, that the hands of the Executive Committee should be strengthened at once. Could we but keep the importance of this work before our Churches, we doubt not that they would all soon contribute in its support. Liberal Presbyterians would not allow this work retarded for lack of money. The moral power of the press all must admit. Its thousands agencies for touching public opinion, of rectifying divine truth, and of advancing every other work.

This important channel of Christian beneficence, therefore demands our hearts, our substance and our prayers.

As to Colportage, we would report, that there is to the credit of this object $86.25.

We would recommend, that Mr. L. A. McLean, a theological student be employed

Report by this Presbytery to act as Colporteur within our bounds, for three months, and that he be paid, as a compensation fee, for months for the same.

We would further recommend that the funds and books on hand be turned over to him, to be used in this work as far as necessary,

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

D. Fairley, Agent.

Committee of Visitation. The Committee appointed to re-arrange the districts of visitation made their report, which on motion, was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the re-arrangement of the districts and Committees of visitation, would respectfully report as follows;

1st. 1st. That the whole field under the care of Presbytery be divided into six Districts, comprising eight Churches each, and the Committees of visitation consist of three Ministers and two Ruling Elders, as follows

1. Euphronia, Buffalo, Irwin, Carthage, Kirkwood, St. Andrews, Barbacow and Mt. Pisgah.

Committee — Rev. David Fairley, Chairman, Rev. M. McLean and Rev. W. S. Lacy, and Ruling Elders A. T. McDiarmid and Peter Munroe.

2nd. 2nd. Salem, Tiffin, China Grove, Cypress, Flat Branch Church of the Covenant, McPherson's & Long-Street.

Committee — Rev. N. McKay D.D. Chairman, Rev. J. P. McPherson and Rev. Jonas McLean and Ruling Elders Evander McGilvary & J. A. McArthur.

3rd " 3rd. Sardis, Bluff, Bethlehem, Fayetteville, Big Rockfish, Sharon, Galatia and Sandy Grove.
Committee — Rev. D. D. McBryde, Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hill and Rev. Joseph Evans, and Ruling Elders,
Report Walter J. Smith and Neill R. Blue.

4th " Macedonia, Sharon, Pee Dee, Mt. Carmel, Leon-
mony, Mineral Spring, Bethesda and Bethel.
Committee — Rev. A. McFerguson, Chairman, Rev. K. McIntyre, Rev. A. T. Borden, and Ruling Elders J. B. Graham and D. F. Little.

5th " Rockingham, Laurinburgh, Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Marks Creek, Montpelier, Centre & Antioch,
Continued Committee — Rev. J. H. Cobb, Chairman, Rev. C. M. Stephenson, D.D., and Rev. A. McMillan, and Ruling Elders, R. McCaskill and Alexander McRae,

6th " — Lumber Bridge, St. Paul's, Mt. Tabor, Philadelphus, Lumberton, Lebanon, Iona & Ashpole.
Committee — Rev. K. McLean, Chairman, Rev. A. Baker, and Rev. A. McLean, and Ruling Elders, J. A. McAllister and Duncan Belkuno.

2nd We further recommend, that
(1.) Three members shall constitute a quorum of the Committee of visitation, one of whom shall be an Elder. But if the Elders appointed on the Committee for the district should not be present, two Ministers may elect an Elder to complete a quorum,
(2.) The Committee shall spend at least two days in visiting each Church,

Report (3) At least half the Churches in each district shall be visited in one year, and all in two; and Committee shall report through their Chairman to Presbytery at each fall meeting.

Concluded, Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
Wm. S. Lacy, Chairman.

Foreign Missions The hour for the order of the day having arrived viz: Foreign Missions, the report on that subject was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McQueen, and after several addresses, was adopted, & is as follows, viz:

Your Agent in presenting his report on Foreign Missions would state as grounds of gratitude and encouragement: 1st. That God has greatly blessed the labours of our Missionaries during the past year, by adding about a hundred members to the Church, five in Greece, seven in China, fifty one in Matamoras and Brownsville, and about forty among the Indians.

2nd. Our College in Corinth is reported in a prosperous condition, and seeds of truth are beginning to bear good fruits in the hearts and lives of the students

3rd Out of forty-four native helpers, over one fourth are ordained Ministers or Licentiates

These native Missionaries have great advantages over foreigners in language and in knowing the character of their own people, and can be supported upon one fourth the amount required to support

Missions, & Foreign Missionary.

Discouraging Facts.

1, For over four years our Committee has not been able, for want of funds, to send out a single Missionary to take the place of those who have died or returned home, while many are willing and anxious to go and take their places.

2nd. For the last two or three years the Contributions of the Churches have fallen off at the rate of $5,000 per annum.

Remains to last year our Presbytery has continued to increase its Contributions; but during the last financial year its Contributions decreased from $872. to $808.51. Of this amount 21 Churches of our forty nine are reported in the Missionary as giving $196.35. Sabbath Schools $48.44, Ladies' Missionary Societies $63.39, less than the previous year. Ladies' Missionary Societies and Sabbath-Schools have increased their Contributions, while the Churches have decreased, both in the number of Contributing Churches and in the amount contributed.

It is said to be that 28 of our Churches, (more than half,) report no Contributions to Foreign Missions, and that so many of our Ministers and members manifest no interest in the salvation of the perishing heathen.

Respectfully Submitted.

M. McQueen Agent.

Collection. A Collection was taken up amounting to $15.73.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after this forenoon's Session was granted to Rev. Joseph Evans & Mr. Duncan Davis.

J.B. & C.P. Cross. On motion, Rev. J. B. McPherson was elected Treasurer of this Presbytery for the ensuing year.

Delinquent Churches. The Treasurer Elect was instructed to furnish the Presbytery, at its next meeting, a complete list of Churches in arrears for assessments; also the indebtedness of the Presbytery.

Montpelier $10. The Assessment of Montpelier Church was increased from $5. to $10.00.

Narrative to Gen. Assembly. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly made their report, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body: It is as follows:

The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly submit the following report:

The reports from the Churches within our bounds are not full and accurate, but sufficiently so to indicate to the General Assembly the condition of the Churches. The general indications are that in all the essential features of a spiritual kingdom there are encouraging evidences of fidelity and allegiance to its Divine Head.

The reports, while giving information of but very few instances of the out pouring of the Holy Spirit, yet there are but very few churches which do not report accessions to their membership, varying from one to two, thirty,

Statistics Continued. forty, and as high as fifty nine, averaging from five and six to the Church.

The other favourable indications are—

1st Good attendance on divine services, peace and harmony, with rare exceptions, prevailing in all our churches and more careful observance of the sabbath.

2nd While the contributions to the various benevolent schemes of the Church have decreased, owing partly, no doubt, to the financial condition of the country, yet there are evidences that our churches are gradually coming up to the Assembly's schemes of systematic benevolence more generally, and fewer churches are reported as doing nothing for the cause of Christian Beneficence.

3rd. The important work of Sabbath-Schools is silently and effectively, if not with increased efficiency, doing a great work in taking care of the lambs of the flock, and in training them for usefulness and efficiency in the Church of Christ.

4th There is, in the last place, some, though far too slow, progress in the direction of female benevolent, or missionary societies.

Respectfully submitted.

Written Reports. The Committee, in view of the limited number of written reports made by the Churches to this meeting of Presbytery, recommend the following

Resolved, That hereafter the Churches be called upon for excuses for failure to make these reports.

This resolution was adopted.

Ruling Elders, J. McKay and James S. McLean obtained leave of absence after this morning session.

New Book. The Committee on the new Book of Church Order made their report which was taken up section by section; Chapter 5, Section 4, Article 2, rejected; Chapter 5, Sec. 4, Article 5, adopted. Chapter 5, Section 7 adopted. Chap. 6; Section 3, third form, adopted. The Form of Government, including only the sections adopted, was, on motion, adopted as a whole.

Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, when it was

D. A. McRae. Resolved, That when Presbytery adjourn, it adjourn to meet at Lebanon Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Friday before the fifth sabbath in June 1878, at 11, o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of ordaining Licentiate D. A. McRae, if the way be clear.

Rev. Messrs H. McLean, A. Baker and Elder A. S. Baker were appointed a committee to assign a text for trial sermon to D. A. McRae.

Call accepted. Rev. David Fairley having signified his acceptance of the call from the Church of the Covenant, Rev. H. G. Hill was appointed to preside, preach the sermon and propose the Constitutional questions; Committee to install. Rev. D. D. McBryde

to deliver the Charge to the Pastor, and Rev. Wm. S. Lacy to deliver the Charge to the people.

New Book. The Committee on the New Book on the Rules of Discipline, continued their report:

Chapter 3rd. Form first adopted.
" 12th. Article first adopted.
" " " Second " ".
" " " Third " "
" 8. " Sixth " "

The Rules of Discipline, including the articles just adopted, were, on motion, adopted as a whole.

Reciprocal Duties. Report. The Committee on Reciprocal Duties made their report, which was accepted and adopted, as follows, viz: The Committee on Reciprocal Duties would respectfully report to the Presbytery, that written reports, in accordance with the standing Rules, have been received only from the Sessions of Buffalo, Ecclesfordville, Fayetteville and Lumberton, and only from the following pastors and supplies: Rev. J. H. Cobb, Rev. J. Evans, Rev. H. G. Hills and Rev. Wm. S. Lacy.

By verbal and written reports it appears that the pastors and supplies have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, both of public exposition of the truth and pastoral visitations and care, and no dissatisfaction is reported. Concerning the duties of the Churches, reports, written and verbal, reveal a good degree of fidelity to installation

Continued. vows on the part both of Church members and officers.

We further learn that some Elders are not as faithful in pastoral visitations as should be desired, and that some officers fail to attend with regularity the stated meetings.

From these reports we learn that the following Churches have not fully their pecuniary obligations: Buffalo, Church of the Covenant, Ecclesfordville, Sand Hill, Lacerinburgh, Long Creek, Montpelier and McPherson. The others, as reported, are more or less in arrears to their ministers, in some ranging from a small amount to more than $40.00.

Your Committee recommend that the Presbytery urge upon these delinquent Churches the prompt liquidation of these obligations.

Your Committee would call attention to the small number of reports on Reciprocal Duties, and the general disregard of the Presbytery's rule. It is feared that if reports had been carefully made by all the Ministers and Churches, the dereliction in duty may have seemed even more faithful. It is believed that the making of such reports would stimulate to the more prompt performance of reciprocal duties.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.
W. S. Lacy, Chairman.

The following resolutions in reference to Sabbath Schools were adopted:

Resolved, That in obedience to the repeated

Continued, injunctions of higher Church Courts, all the Churches in this Presbytery be urged to make the reports required.

Resolved, That our Church Sessions in the conduct of Sabbath-Schools be urged to give attention to the doctrinal instruction of the young and the ignorant, in the special use of the Scriptures and the standards of the Church.

Resolved, That the children of our Sabbath-Schools have the opportunity of contributing to the different causes of beneficence, especially to Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That the Rev. D. Fairley, Rev. H. G. Hill, and the Presbyterial Agent, be appointed a Committee to choose a time and place, and prepare an order of business for a Presbyterial Sabbath-School Convention to be held, if it appear expedient to said Committee.

Concluded, The following resolutions were also adopted viz:

Doctrinal sermon, Resolved, That at each stated meeting of Presbytery there be delivered before the Presbytery, on the second day of the meeting, at 11 o'clock A. M. a Presbyterial sermon, illustrating some distinctive features in the doctrine or polity of the Presbyterian Church, by a member appointed at the previous stated meeting.

Resolved that,

Rev. H. McL. Rev. Hector McLean be requested to deliver such a sermon at the next stated meeting, and that the next on the roll be his alternate.

D. P. McC. Boyd for Moderator. Resolved, That Presbytery, at each stated meeting, shall nominate a Moderator for the ensuing meeting; Whereupon Rev. D. P. McBoyd was nominated for the next Moderator.

Statistical Report. The Statistical Report to the General Assembly was read by the Stated Clerk, approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that at present they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their care 48 Churches, one Licentiate and two Candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 15th day of September, 1877, they dismissed E. Marshall Munroe to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Ouachita; that on the 25th day of April 1878, they received by letter from the Presbytery of Lacissiewa, Rev. C. M. Shepperson D.D. and that on the same day they dissolved the Church of Mizpeh.

Concluded. By order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Overture, New Book. The following Overture was adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully overture the General Assembly, that if it appear from the returns of the Pres-

New Book. lyteries, that there is a considerable diversity of opinion concerning the Revised Book, and a general desire for the Book in the main, or for the adoption of a new Book, that the Assembly take into consideration the calling of a special Assembly or Convention of the Church, which shall consider and prepare a New Book, which, upon adoption by said Special Assembly, shall be sent to the Presbyteries for adoption or rejection as a whole.

Concluded.

Funds. On motion, the funds in the hands of the Finance Committee were ordered to be placed in the hands of the Treasurer Elect.

G. P. McN. Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, D. Fairley and Elder B. Fuller were appointed a Committee to settle with the late Treasurer, Mr. G. P. McNeill.

Vacant On motion it was Resolved, That the Churches that have not applied to Presbytery in accordance with the Rules, be marked Vacant, and the Ministers not thus directed to supply churches, be

N. C. marked without Charge, By being "Vacant" the Presbytery means to state that such Churches are not supplied by Presbyterial authority.

Annual Report. The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Report to the General Assembly, which

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The Stated Clerk presented the Annual Report to the General Assembly, which was read and approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a final report.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Presbytery are eminently due, and are hereby heartily tendered, to the members of Iona church and to the citizens of this community adjacent, for their considerate kindness and courteous hospitality extended its members during the sessions of this body.

Resolved, That the Pastor of this church be requested to announce to the congregation this action.

The minutes of to-day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Lebanon church, Robeson county, N. C., on Friday before the fifth Sabbath in June, 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Stated Clerk.

Also, Sunday Schools, that there is a Presbyterial Report made, of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, which accompanies this Report, and a copy ordered to be made a part of this Report to the General Assembly, which was read and approved and a copy ordered to be made a part of this Report to the General Assembly, which

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville, to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1, 1878.

Names of Schools.	Number on Roll.		Average Attendance.		Increase.		Decrease.		No. Added to Church.		Amount Contributed for your own School.	Amount Contributed for Missionary Purposes.
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
Antioch	8	53	4	30					8	30	$1 25	
Ashpole	8	75	7	65	3	25				1		
Barbacue,												
Bethlehem	6	38	6	30				6	5	1	5 00	
Bethesda	2	29										
Ben Salem	4	25	3	20						1		
Bluff	6	30	5	20				2		3		$5 00
Big Rockfish	5	20	3	15	1			10			1 75	
Buffalo	42	260	31	208	3	25				10	34 00	34 00
Carthage	6	30	5	25							10 00	3 00
Centre	18	145	12	100						5	23 85	28 75
Euphronia	11	65	9	55	4	10					14 00	
Fayetteville	14	92	10	59							20 00	15 40
Fayetteville, (Mission)	8	70	6	50								
Iona	4	40	4	40					4	25	5 00	
Laurel Hill	4	23	4	20						1		
Laurinburg	6	63	6	40	4	15				1		
Lebanon	4	32	4	20						3	3 00	
Lumber Bridge	2	15			1							
Lumberton	6	24	5	15						2		22 95
McPherson	5	30	4	20						1	2 00	
Montpelier	4	30	4	20								
Mount Tabor	2	22	2	15								
Philadelphus	4	30	4	20				10				
Rockingham	8	30									$2 00	
Sardis	1	10										
Smyrna	2	35	2	25						4		
Saint Paul's	10	90	7	70		10	2			1	6 00	
Sherwood	6	50	4	35		5				1	5 00	
Union	14	150	10	125	8	25				2	20 00	
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Remarks:—The Schools are generally under the control of Pastors and Sessions and inspired by their personal presence and efforts. A few Pastors preach statedly to the children. The standards of the church are used in instruction, and in addition, the International Lesson Papers, as prepared by our Committee, and in a few instances, Jacobus and such other books are used. The Children's Friend and Earnest Worker are taken. but not generally. Some Churches conduct Mission Schools with encouraging success. Twenty-nine of forty-eight Churches make report—a larger number than ever before. The general outlook is decidedly encouraging and greater interest is taken in this cause than has hitherto been done.

Iona Church, Robeson County, N. C., April 27, 1878.

J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

Sustentation—Lumberton $5 00, Big Rockfish, $1 00, Mt. Tabor $1 00, Sherwood $1 00, St. Paul's $1 00, Carthage $4 00, Iona $1 00, Ben-Salem $2 00, Union $3 66. Total $19 66.

Evangelistic—Lumberton $2 00, Mt. Tabor $1 00, St. Paul's $1 00, Carthage $2 00, Iona, $1 00, Bethesda $4 10, Ben-Salem $2 00, Union $3 00, Centre $5 00. Total $21 10.

Invalid Fund—Lumberton $1 00, Big-Rockfish, $3 00, Mt. Tabor $1 00, St. Paul's $2 00, Iona $1 00, Carthage $1 00, Ben-Salem $1 00, Union $3 00, Centre $3 00. Total $16 00.

Foreign Missions—Lumberton $4 00, Iona $1 00, Union $3 00. Total $8 00.

Education—Lumberton $3 00, Iona $1 00, Ben-Salem $2 00, Smyrna $2 90. Total $8 90.

Publication—Lumberton $5 29, Big-Rockfish $1 00, Mt. Tabor $1 00 Sherwood $1 00, St. Paul's $1 00, Carthage $3 00, Iona $1 00, Ben-Salem $1 00, Union $3 00, Centre $10 00. Total $27 29.

Colportage—Laurinburgh $2 29, Mt Tabor $2 00, Sherwood $1 00, St. Paul's $4 00, Smyrna $1 50, Laurel Hill $5 80. Total $16 59.

Presbyterial—Lumberton $5 00, Laurinburgh $10 00, Big-Rockfish $10 00, Mt. Tabor $5 00, Sherwood $8 00, St. Paul's $18 00, Carthage $15 00, Sandy Grove $6 00, Iona $10 00, Buffalo $30 00, Euphronia $12 00, Bethesda $12 00, Salem $5 00, Ashpole $14 20, Bluff $12 01, Mineral Spring $25 85, Ben-Salem $11 00, Union $24 00, Smyrna $16 00, Laurel Hill $20 00, Mark's Creek $2 00, Mt. Carmal $5 60, Centre $30 00. Lebanon $5 00. Total $311 66.

Total received for all objects.....$428 20

The above sums were paid to me by Rev. D. Fairley, Chairman of Committee of Finance; J. P. McPherson, Presbyterial collection at Iona Church, $15 73.

Paid by Sandy Grove Church, through Rev. D. Fairley: Foreign Missions, $5 00; Sustentation, $4 00, Publication, $2 00; Education, $2 00; Invalid Fund, $1 87.

Total received from Sandy Grove $14 87

Through Rev. D. Fairley, I also received of Mr. G. P. McNeill, late Treasurer, check for $231 79.

Total from all sources.....$690 67

J. P. McPHERSON,
Treasurer of Presbytery.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
May 2d, 1878.

...to the General Assembly, which

Iona,

was read and approved and a copy ordered to be

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE REPORTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT IT CONSISTS OF 18 MINISTERS, AND HAS UNDER ITS CARE 48 CHURCHES, 1 LICENTIATE, AND 2 CANDIDATES, VIZ:

Ministers, Licentiates, and Candidates.	Post Offices.	Churches.	Officers.		Communicants.			Baptized.				Funds Collected.									
			Elders.	Deacons.	Added on Examination	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants	Adult.	Infant.	No. of Baptized non-Communicants	Children in S. Sch'ls and Bible Classes	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastor's Salary actually paid.	Congregational	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co.	Antioch, P.	6	4	59	8	150	12	8	9	53	$4 00	$1 00	$2 00	$20 00	$5 00	$2 00		$121 00		$5 00
" " "	" " "	Philadelphus, P.	6	4	2	1	93		1	5	30	2 00	2 00	1 00	10 00	3 00	2 00		63 00		3 00
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville	Galatia, S. S.	5	4	3	1	150		6		30	3 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	$15 00	208 00	$14 00	
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C. M. Shepperson, D.D., S.S	Red Banks	Ashpole, S. S.	12	6	1	3	253		14		75	4 00			13 00	12 00	5 00		340 00	349 00	24 00
Neill McKay, D. D., W. C.,	Summerville																				
Andrew McMillan, W. C.,	Rockingham																				
Archibald Baker, P.	Shoe Heel	Centre, P.	9	5	10	2	185	2	8	13	145	67 00	5 00	3 00	134 00	20 00	10 00	30 00	600 00	42 00	225 00
D. D. McBryde, P.	Little River Academy	Bluff, P.	5	6	11	3	159		8		30	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00		12 00	299 00	19 00	
" " " S. S.	" " "	Sardis, S. S.	3	3	1		35		3		15	7 00	7 00			13 00	2 00	7 00	234 00		
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage	Carthage, P.	7	6	2	4	165		2		30	4 00	2 00	1 00	30 00	5 00	3 00	15 00	248 00		
" " "	"	Union, P.	8	6	3	2	300		2	10	125	3 00	3 00	3 00	38 00	5 00	3 00	24 00	129 00		
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James McQueen, W. C.	Swann's Station																				
N. T. Bowden, W. C.	Morven																				
Joseph Evans, P	St. Paul's	St. Paul's, P.	5	4	5	2	145	1	19	6	90	1 00	1 00	8 00	35 00	10 00	1 00	18 00	375 00	7 00	13 00
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Archibald McQueen, P.	Shoe Heel	Iona, P.	4	3	1		150		1	1	40	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	252 00		
" " S. S.	" "	Bethel, S. S.					92														
John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh	Laurinburgh, S. S.	6	7	3	15	99		8	7	63	6 00	5 00	3 00	14 00	6 00	6 00	10 00	500 00	22 00	21 00
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H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville	Fayetteville, P.	6	7	5	3	182	2	7	13	178	40 00	14 00	9 00	114 00	12 00	18 00	30 00	1,303 00	405 00	78 00
David Fairley, P.	Manchester	China Grove, P [P.E.																			
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" " S. S.	"	Longstreet, S. S.	3	3	4		50	3	1			5 00	2 00		10 00	2 00	3 00				
" " "	"	Sandy Grove, S. S.	5	3	4		78	3	9			4 00	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 00	6 00				
A. N. Ferguson, P.	Laurinburgh	Laurel Hill, P.	7	5	23		155		2		22	13 00	14 00	8 00	18 00	19 00	11 00	20 00	400 00	8 00	49 00
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K. M. McIntyre, P.	Butler's Ford	Mineral Spring, P.					135														
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William S. Lacy, P.	Jonesboro	Buffalo, P.	11	6	11		245	1	5	8	260	12 00	14 00	11 00	116 00	16 00	15 00	30 00	666 00	358 00	21 00
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Licentiate D. A. McRae, S.S.	Melrose	Lebanon, S. S.	3	1	10	1	41	1	1	2	32	1 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	5 00	186 00		2 00
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		Rockingham, S. S.	1	2	1		11				47										
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Churches Dissolved 1.
Iona Church, Robeson County, N. C., April 27th, 1878.

By order of the Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

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Report. Report to the General Assembly, which

was read and approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body. (See Appendix.)

The Committee on devotional Exercises made a final report,

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the thanks of this Presbytery are cordially due, and are hereby hereby tendered, to the members of Iona Church, and to the citizens of this community adjacent, for their considerate kindness and courteous hospitality extended to its members during the sessions of this body.

Resolved, That the Pastor of this Church be requested to announce to the Congregation this action.

The Minutes of to-day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Lebanon Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Friday before the fifth Sabbath in June 1878, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Lebanon Church
Robeson County, N.C.
June 28th 1878.

Adjourned meeting.

Adjourned meeting.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. A. McLean, being the last Moderator present, called the Presbytery to order and constituted it with prayer.

Present. Present - Ministers - H. McLean, A. McLean and C. M. Shepherson D.D. Ruling Elders, A. S. Baker, Lebanon; D. C. McIntyre, Iona; and Dr. D. Sinclair, Ashpole.

Clerk. Rev. C. M. Shepherson was chosen temporary Clerk.

The object of this adjourned meeting of Presbytery being to ordain Licentiate D. A. McRae, if the way be clear,

Lot. The Committee appointed to assign to McRae a text for his trial sermon, reported that they had performed that duty, by assigning him, Galatians 3:13, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us".

Sermon It was then, on motion, Resolved, That the candidate shall now preach his trial sermon. After the preaching of

the sermon, criticisms were called for; after which

Sustained. it was unanimously Resolved, That the sermon of Mr. D. A. McRae be sustained as a part of trial for ordination.

Whereas Mr. McRae has been, on a former occasion, examined on Languages, Literature and sciences, he having been licensed by this Presbytery, it was therefore Resolved, That his examination, at this time, shall be confined to the subjects of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government, the Sacraments and Theology.

In the absence of the several Committees, the examination was conducted by Rev. H. McLean, all the Committees present participating.

Presbytery took recess for 30 minutes.

Examination. After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to examine the candidate on Theology, which examination having been conducted to sufficient length, was sustained.

The candidate was then examined on Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and the sacraments, in order, all of which were sustained; when it was resolved, That all these parts of trial be sustained; and that Mr. D. A. McRae be ordained at the close of the 11 o'clock service to-morrow; That Rev. C. M. Shepherson D.D. preach the ordination sermon, Rev. A. McLean, presides, propose the constitutional questions and deliver the charge

to the candidate

Orders on Treasurer.

A communication was received from Rev. J. F. McPherson, Commissioner to the General Assembly, stating that his expenses in ~~that~~ attending that meeting amounted to $41. and that the expenses of Dr. John Shaw, the other Commissioner to the General Assembly amounted to $39. Whereupon it was ordered, that the Treasurer of Presbytery be directed to pay to Rev. J. F. McPherson $41, and to Dr. John Shaw $39.

It was further ordered, that the Treasurer of Presbytery be directed to pay to the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, the additional sum of $90. the same being the Assessment of that body on this Presbytery.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at 10, o'clock A. M. to-morrow

Closed with prayer.

Sabbath morning, June 2d. Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, a sermon was preached by Rev C. M. Shepherson D.D. at the close of which Mr. D. A. McRae was solemnly ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry, by prayer and the laying on

of hands by the Presbytery. The charge to the newly ordained Minister was delivered by Rev. A. McLean.

There being no further business to be transacted, the Minutes were read and approved. Presbytery then adjourned to meet at Smyrna Church, Richmond County N.C. on the Thursday before the first Sabbath in October 1878 at 11, o'clock A. M.

Closed with singing the 137th Psalm, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

C. M. Shepherson Temporary Clerk

Approved as far as written in Synod at Goldsboro N.C. Oct 25th 1878

Joseph R Wilson
Moderator.

Smyrna Church.

One Hundred and Thirty-first Sessions.

Smyrna Church, Robeson County, N.C.
October 3rd 1878.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. M. McLean from 2nd Chronicles 2: 4, "Behold, I build a house to the name of the Lord my God, to dedicate it to Him, and to burn before Him sweet incense, and for the continual show-bread, and for the burnt-offerings morning and evening, on the Sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the Lord our God. This is an ordinance for ever to Israel."

After the sermon, the retiring Moderator called the Presbytery to order, and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Present, Ministers— H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, C. M. Stephenson, D.D. A. McMillan, M. McLean, James McLean, D.D. McBryde, Joseph Evans, A. McLean, J. H. Cobb, H. G. Hall, A. N. Ferguson, William S. Lacy and Daniel A. McRae.

Churches represented— Bethel, J. W. McLaughlin; Bethesda, Neill Graham; Centre, G. Patterson; Iona, N. J. Thompson; Laurel Hill, D. C. Stewart; Laurinburgh, A. Bluce; Montpelier, D. P. McEachern; Philadelphus, J. McCallum; Rockingham, A. M. McAuley; Smyrna, P. McRae, M.

Andrew's, L. McN. N. McDonald.

Absent. Ministers - Neill McKay D.D. Archibald Baker, N. T. Bowden and K. M. McIntyre.

Churches not represented - Ashfield, Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish and St. Paul's; Carthage and Union, China Grove and Church of the Covenant, Buffalo and Rockfish, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Lebanon, Long-Creek, Lumberton, McPherson's, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Red Oak, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Shiloh and Tirzah.

Moderator & Clerks. Rev. D. D. McBryde was chosen Moderator and Rev. C. M. Shipperson D.D. and John W. McLauchlin, temporary Clerks.

Death of Rev. A. Baker announced. The Stated Clerk solemnly announced the sudden death of Rev. Archibald Baker, yesterday about noon; whereupon the following brethren were appointed a Committee to bring in a suitable Minute, viz: Rev. Messrs H. McLean, J. K. Cobb and Gilbert Patterson, Ruling Elder.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, when the Committee appointed for that purpose submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Paper adopted.

Whereas, In the inscrutable and wise Providence of God, Rev. Archibald Baker, a beloved and valuable member of this Presbytery, was suddenly stricken down by death, about 12 o'clock on

Continued yesterday, while addressing the Sabbath-School Convention, and in the presence of his own people, and of a large number of the brethren of this Presbytery; Therefore, Resolved 1st. That in this afflictive Providence, we, as a Presbytery, are solemnly admonished to be ready for the summons of the Master, when He shall call for us.

Resolved 2nd. That we sympathise deeply with the bereaved wife and children, and commend them to the love and care of a covenant-keeping God.

Resolved 3rd. That we also express our sympathy for the sorrowing congregation, so suddenly bereaved of a faithful and beloved Pastor.

Resolved 4th. That Presbytery appoint the following Committee to represent this body and conduct the funeral services at Centre Church, to-morrow afternoon, viz: Rev. Hector McLean, Rev. D. D. McBryde and Rev. William S. Lacy, and Mr. Gilbert Patterson, Ruling Elder.

Resolved 5th. That the Stated Clerk be directed to furnish the family of our departed brother with a copy of these Resolutions; also that the Chairman of the Committee, Rev. Hector McLean, read them from the pulpit of Centre Church, to-morrow afternoon, at the funeral.

Concluded. Pending the adoption of the above report, Rev. Messrs Shipperson, Cobb, Lacy, McPherson, Neill, Evans, McRae, McLean, and McMillan of Fayd. spoke tributes to the worth and high-

— turned pity of our departed brother.

Rev. T. J. A. Rev. T. J. Allison of the Presbytery of Orange, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Tardy M. Rev. J. Evans, and Ruling Elders, D. Bethune, of St. Paul's, and A. S. McDonald of Lumber-Bridge, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

The Minutes of the adjourned meeting at Lebanon were read for information.

Rev. A. M. M. Rev. R. McMillan rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from our Spring Sessions.

D. College. The Stated Clerk presented and read the Report of the Trustees of Davidson College, which was accepted, and ordered to be placed on file.

Order of the day. On motion, Free Conversation on the state of Religion was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning, and the Report on Sustentation the second order of the day.

The Report on Foreign Missions the first order of the day for Saturday morning; the second order, Education, and third order Publication.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned, to meet in this place to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, October 4th 1878.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Members appear. Rev. K. M. McIntyre, and Ruling Elders, D. G. Smith, of Cypress Church, A. McLeod of Sandy Grove, A. McN. Currie of Mineral Spring, and Daniel Currie of Marks Creek, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Committees announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees, viz:

1. Devotional Exercises — A. S. Ferguson, J. H. Cobb and Peter McRae.
2. Finance — D. Fairley and Peter McRae.
3. Narrative to Synod — Archd. McLaurin, D. A. McRae and Gilbert Patterson.
4. Systematic Beneficence — H. G. Hill, M. McLaurin and Neill Graham.
5. Calls and Supplies — W. S. Lacy, James McLaurin and K. B. Kelly.
6. Minutes of General Assembly — J. H. Cobb, A. McMillan and D. P. McEachern.
7. Nominations — Joseph Evans, Andrew McMillan, H. G. Hill and D. C. Stewart.

Order of the day. The order of the day for this hour, viz: Free Conversation, was postponed, and the Treasurer read his report, which was accepted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Treas. report.

S. School Convention Report. The Committee to provide for holding a Sabbath-School Convention reported as follows, which was accepted: The Committee appointed at the last meeting of Presbytery to provide for holding a Sabbath-School Convention would respectfully report: That, after

S.S. Convention Continued.

due consideration, a time and place were chosen and appropriate and comprehensive topics suggested for discussion.

The schedule of proceedings was published, and notice privately given to those appointed to take part therein.

In accordance with these arrangements, the Convention met at Centre Church on Tuesday, October 1st 1878, at 11 o'clock, A.M., and was opened with a sermon by Rev. J. P. McPherson.

The names of eleven Ministers and of five representatives from Churches and Sunday-Schools were enrolled as members. Rev. J. P. McPherson was chosen Chairman, and Rev. Wm S. Lacey as Secretary.

The discussions were entered into with interest. A hearty greeting and cordial welcome was extended to the body by the Church, its beloved Pastor, its officers and members.

In the midst of these entertaining and profitable exercises, the proceedings were interrupted by the sudden illness and death of Rev. Archibald Baker, the Pastor of the Church, which in the act of addressing the Convention; and in respect to his memory the Convention adjourned without day.

It was felt the proceedings were closed by the act of God. There was every indication that the attempt to hold a Presbyterial Convention

Concluded.

would have proven an entire success, and be fruitful of good results. Brethren had prepared themselves with commendable diligence, and conducted the only discussion held with animation. We feel encouraged by the effort. The Sunday-School interest lost an earnest and sympathetic friend and advocate in the departure of our beloved brother. His last words were rallied in its behalf, and testified his absorbing interest, his intelligent concern and affectionate regard for the work, for his own school and for the wise conduct of the general cause.

May his mantle descend upon his brethren!

Respectfully submitted.

William S. Lacey.

Rev. D. F. installed.

The Committee appointed to install Rev. David Fairley, Pastor of the Church of the Covenant, reported they had performed that duty, which was accepted.

Presbytery then took up the order of the day, viz: Free Conversation on the State of Religion within our bounds, when reports from our churches were heard.

Free Conversation.

Rev. H. M. B.

Rev. H. M. Brearley, of the Presbytery of Kearsarge, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Presbytery took recess for five minutes, to meet in the Academy. After recess Presbytery met, when the Free Conversation was concluded.

D. D. McK.

Pending these exercises, Mr. D. D. McKenzie, Ruling Elder of Sharon Church, appeared in Presbytery and tendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General

Minutes of Gen. Ass. Assembly submitted their report, which was accepted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly report, calling attention to the following items;

1st. On page 608, resolution with reference to Sunday School Conventions; attention of Sabbath-School Agent called to same.

2nd Page 612.- Recommended that our Pastors and Stated Supplies be urged to co-operate with the American Bible Society in its efforts to supply the world with the Holy Scriptures.

3rd. The Agent of Foreign Missions is directed to notice Resolutions 2, 3, 4, and 5 on page 619.

4th The attention of the Agent of Sustentation and Evangelistic Work is called to Resolution 2nd on page 628.

5th " The attention of Presbytery is called to 3rd and 4th resolutions on page 639, with reference to Revised Book.

6th " Attention is directed to paragraph 2nd on page 643, with reference to Sabbath observance, and it is recommended that a Committee be appointed to present for the action of Presbytery a suitable paper on this subject.

7th " The attention of the Agent of Publication is directed to resolution 2nd, page 647.

8th " The attention of the Sabbath-School Agent is directed to Resolutions, 1, 2, and 3. on page 647.

9th " The attention of the Special Committee

Concluded. on Systematic Benevolence is called to the last two paragraphs of Report on page 653.

Respectfully submitted.

J. H. Cobb. Chairman.

Leave of Absence - Pall-bearers. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. Messrs H. G. Hill, Joseph Evans, D. A. McRae and C. M. Stephenson D.D. until 10. o'clock, A.M. to-morrow, to attend the funeral of Rev. Archibald Baker; and that these brethren be directed to act as pall-bearers.

Presbytery then took recess until 2. o'clock this afternoon.

After recess Presbytery met.

Chs. visited. The following visiting Committees reported, No. 2. Salem Church; No 6. Laurel Hill and Lacrimborgh.

Status of Col. members. The question as to the status of certain Coloured members of Laurel Hill Church was answered as follows, viz; The Session of Laurel Hill Church are referred to the action of Presbytery, April 13th 1867; and the Stated Clerk was directed to furnish them a copy of the same.

Rev. J. A. C. Rev. J. A. Cousar, of the Presbytery of Harmony, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Family Prayer. On motion, a Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs Martin McQueen and Wm S. Lang, with Dr. John Shaw, was appointed to prepare an address on the subject of Family ~~Prayer~~, said Committee to report at our adjourned meeting at Goldsboro; during the Sessions of Synod.

B. F. L. The name of Col. B. F. Little having appeared

on the Roll of Ruling Elders in Pee Dee Church, on motion, said Mistake was corrected.

Commissioners Report. Rev. J. P. McPherson, Commissioner to the last General Assembly, reported for himself and Dr. John Shaw, that they attended the sessions of said Assembly, which was accepted.

Place & time of Spring Sessions. St. Andrews Church, Moore County, N.C., was unanimously chosen as the place for our Spring sessions, and Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1879, at 11 o'clock, was fixed as the time.

Report on Education.

Education. The Committee of Education submit the following Report to Presbytery: The two Candidates under the care of Presbytery - Messrs H. T. Harrell and L. A. McLean - are in the second year's course in Union Theological Seminary. The Assembly's Committee will aid each of them to the amount of $125; the maximum allowed to Seminary students. To this reduction in the amount appropriated, the Committee is forced by the action of last Assembly, recommending curtailment.

The Secretary assures us, however, that if at the end of the ecclesiastical year enough of money should be found in the Treasury, they will give our Candidates fifty dollars more.

It is manifest that the amount appropriated is not sufficient for their support. It is also apparent that those students who have no resources of their own to fall back

Report continued. upon, must necessarily be interrupted in their course, unless the Churches respond with an increased liberality. Interruption, in the present exigencies of the Church, means detriment. On the one hand, our ministerial ranks are being thinned by death; on the other, wide and important fields are calling for more labourers. We need to bring our young men forward as quickly as possible, not only to fill the places of those who have fallen, and who are yet to fall, but also to go forth and occupy the fields opening to us, and inviting us to enter and possess the Land. It is useless to disguise the fact, that our beloved Church is fast approaching the point, where its membership must either come forth with more liberal gifts in support of ministerial education, or be content to settle upon a retrograde movement.

It is impossible to stand still. We must be aggressive, or we must lose ground. Aggressiveness does not depend as much on occupying outposts and doing pioneer work, as it does on the spirit of liberality in our old and self-sustaining Congregations. Our christian people in the pioneer fields, when they are weak in point of numbers and resources, are almost always liberal. What we need is a like liberality on the part of our people in those sections of the Country where our Church has a firm foothold.

This would secure ample means for carrying on the educational work without

Continued. embarrassment, and furnish the men and the means to extend our Zion, and make Presbyterianism powerfully aggressive.

The fields are white with the harvest. The Master calls for labourers to be sent forth into His harvest. The Church must send them. This call comes to every Christian man and woman - not to go forth in person as preachers, but to give liberally towards qualifying those who are divinely called to preach, that they may be sent forth as efficient workers.

To disregard the Master's call to liberality, is simply to incur blood-guiltiness, for men are perishing for lack of knowledge. They cannot be saved without believing in Jesus. They cannot believe without hearing. They cannot hear without a preacher. They cannot preach without being sent. Thus, the salvation of men and the sending of ministers by the Church are joined together.

And the sending of Ministers by the Church, means, in plain words, in a large measure, to train, prepare, qualify them for the work. Hence, it follows that the cause of Ministerial Education is of the first importance, as being the foundation of all sound, intelligent, and truly efficient Christian enterprise. The success of this cause depends on the liberality of the Lord's people.

Continued. Charity forbids us to believe that their liberality in this regard is the measure of their love to that Saviour, "Who though He was rich, yet for their sakes became poor, that they through His poverty might be rich". We would rather believe that it is the measure of their information with regard to their connection with this work, and their duty therein. If this be so, then the weight of the responsibility rests upon the ministers and office-bearers in the Church, who have withheld that instruction which they are authorized to impart. And the guilt lies along-side of the responsibility. That Presbytery may contemplate their responsibility in the matter, your Committee by leave to call attention to a few figures in the last annual Report to the Assembly.

Forty-seven of our Churches report 4673 communicants. These 4,673 persons gave to the Cause of Education $219, i.e. an average of about 4¾ cents apiece - while we received last year from the Assembly's Treasury $131, more than we contributed.

And at the same rate of liberality, we shall receive the present year $31, more than we give.

Surely, we ought not to marvel if our young brethren are compelled, from want of sufficient aid, to retire from the Seminary.

In view of these considerations, your Committee to submit the following Resolutions, viz:

Resolved 1st That Presbytery requires it of the Pastors and Stated Supplies to instruct the

Continued. the people of their Charges specially with regard to their individual relation to this work, and the responsibilities and duties that arise out of this relation; also, to the urgent demands of this Cause at this time.

Resolved 2nd That it be enjoined upon the Sessions of the Churches to take such measures as, in their judgment, will secure a more liberal Contribution from all the members.

Resolved 3rd That the Treasurer be directed to write to the Sessions of those Churches which are reported delinquent, and urge them to duty in this matter - and that he do it before the 1st of November next.

Resolved 4th That the Sessions be urged to have Collections taken up promptly at the time designated by the Assembly, and that they require the Deacons to forward funds collected to the Treasurer of Presbytery before the 1st of January next.

Resolved 5th That a special Collection be taken up in all our Churches in aid of the Institution for the education of a Coloured Ministry, at Tuscaloosa, Ala.; and that Sessions see that funds collected for this object be forwarded before the 1st of January.

Conclude. Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Cobb, Chairman.

Adopted. The above report was accepted, and the resolutions appended thereto adopted - first seriatim, and then as a whole.

Fall Sessions Discontinued. On motion, the discontinuance of our fall sessions of Presbytery was placed on the Docket, to be discussed and decided next spring.

Leave of Absence. Mr. N. J. Thompson obtained leave of absence until to-morrow morning; and Messrs D. G. Smith, A. M. McAuley and D. C. Stewart, from the remaining Sessions of Presbytery.

Supplies. Supplies to vacant Churches reported a discharge of that duty.

Order Changed. On motion, the first order of the day for to-morrow morning - Foreign Missions - was changed to 11, o'Clock, A. M.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at 9½ o'Clock A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday morning October 5th 1878.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Jackson and Bell's account for printing Minutes of Spring Sessions of Presbytery, amounting to $4.45, was presented by the Stated Clerk, and ordered to be paid by the Treasurer.

Orders of Treasurer. On motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was directed to pay to the heirs of Rev. Archibald Baker, deceased, and to Rev. D. D. McBryde, each the

sum of $12. the amount of their expenses in attending the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Davidson College, in June last.

Ch. visited. The Committee of Visitation reported that they had visited Lacrinburgh Church, and found that Church in a healthy condition.

Systematic Beneficence. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence would present the following report, to be forwarded to Synod. The statistics cover the fiscal year closing April 1st 1878.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, respecting the systematic Beneficence of our forty-eight Churches, as follows:

34 Churches gave to Sustentation	---	$240.
32. " " " Evangelistic Fund	--	128.
28. " " " Invalid Fund	--	" 105.
34. " " " Foreign Missions	"	818.
34. " " " Education	--	" 219.
29. " " " Publication	--	" 125.
Total Contribution to Assembly's objects		$1.635.
20 Churches gave to miscellaneous objects		273.
Total Contribution to all benevolent causes		$1.908.

Of our forty-eight Churches, 26. gave to all six objects of the Assembly; 3. gave to five of them; 4 gave to 4. of them; 1. gave to three of them; 2. to two of them;

and 12. report no benevolent contributions.

Our best contributing churches take up collections whenever they have public worship.

Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. K. G. Keith

M. McL. Leon.

Sustentation. The Sustentation Committee submitted their report, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows, viz: The Committee of Sustentation would report as follows, for the six months ending October 1st 1878:

1st As to contributions for Sustentation during this period.—

Our Treasurer reports 13 Churches as having contributed $49.34. Last year, during the same period, 10 Churches gave $42.66.

Since last Spring's report, the appropriation of $100. asked to aid Rockingham Church in having preaching half the time, has been fully paid to Rev. T. J. Allison.

In June last an appropriation of $100. was asked to assist Cypress Church in employing Rev. Geo. A. Gibbs one fourth of his time. This was granted, and the first installment of $50. has been paid.

It is gratifying to be able to state, that every Church within our bounds has preaching for a part of the time, and that four of these Churches during the present year have taken steps to build new houses of worship. It is to be deplored, however, that so strong a Presbytery as ours cannot within its own bounds the benefit of the funds furnished by its Churches for Sustentation,

Continued. and contributes almost nothing for this object outside its own limits.

2nd As to contributions to the Evangelistic Fund.

The Treasurer reports 21 Churches as contributing to this object $75.69. Last year, in the same period, 12 Churches gave $48.74.

We trust our other 27 Churches have taken up the collection for this cause during the past month, and will forward it soon.

No appropriation has been asked for an Evangelist this year, but Rev. G. M. Gibbs occupies a Missionary field at Cameron, and partly to keep him here help was asked from the Sustentation Fund to enable Cypress to employ him a part of his time.

3rd As to contributions to Invalid Fund, and appropriations asked.—

The Treasurer reports 24 Churches as contributing to this fund $76.60. The Ministers of the remaining 24 Churches have been requested by postals to have their collections forwarded. Last year, in the same period, 16 Churches gave $46.39.

For current year ending July 1st 1879, your Committee has asked the following appropriations

For Mrs John M. Sherrod ——— $ 80.00
" " James H. McNeill ——— " 40.00
Whole amount asked $ 120.00

4th As to amount due L. M. Cessio.— Of the $75. balance due him, $58.50. have been

Continued. contributed by 28 Churches, leaving an unpaid balance of $16.50. The following Churches have not contributed to this deficiency: Centre, Bluff, Sardis, Big-Rock-fish, Mt. Tabor, Sherrod, Montpelier, Pine Grove, Church of the Covenant, Long-Street, Sandy Grove, Mineral Spring, Sharon, Bon Salem, Martin's Creek, Rockingham, Mt. Carmel, Harmony, Mt. Pisgah and Barbecue.

Your Committee would recommend that the Treasurer continue to remind the delinquent Churches of their duty in this matter until a dollar is collected from each, and this debt cancelled.

5th As to supplies for vacant Churches.—

Mark's Creek — A. A. Ferguson, one Sab. and Sacraments
Salem — J. P. McPherson " " " "
Centre — A. A. Ferguson " " " "
Centre — David Fairley one Sab. in December.
" J. H. Cobb " " " January.
" H. G. Neill " " " February.
" Arch'd McLean " " " March.
Ashpole — D. A. McRae one Sab. and Sacraments.
" A. McMillan " " in December.

Resolved, That the Sessions of our Churches are enjoined to see that a collection for Colonial Evangelization be taken up in October, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Concluded.

H. G. Neill. Chairman.

Dr Kelly. Rev. James Kelly, of the Presbytery of Wilmington, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member,

Foreign Missions.

The Agent of Foreign Missions presented his Report, which was accepted and adopted. Your Agent would report, for the consideration of Presbytery, the following facts:

1st. The extent of our Mission field has been diminished by the desertion of two Missions—one to the United States of Colombia, and the other to the Choctaw Indians.

2d. The Executive Committee report 75 labourers in the field, 33 of whom have gone from this Country; the remaining 42 are natives of the Countries in which they labour.

Since this report was made, Rev. L. H. Correo and Mrs. Correo have returned, and Rev. Messrs Dana and Taylor of the Indian Mission, have gone to their final reward.

Rev. Mr Sampson and Mrs Sampson have been added to the Greek Mission by the contributions of the liberal friends in Virginia.

3rd. The Committee, at the close of the last ecclesiastical year, reported that a debt of one nine thousand dollars did incumber the work. This debt has, in all probability, been greatly reduced by the contributions of the Churches, which during the first three months of the present fiscal year, exceed those of the corresponding months of last year by $3,341.19.

Our Presbytery, as reported in the Missionary during the first four months of the current financial year,

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has contributed as follows: Churches $2[illegible]7.72. Mission Schools, $70.65. Ladies Societies, $188.95. Miscellaneous $27.98. Total $.545.30. The total contributions of our Presbytery last year were $893.18.

Judging from what has been done during the past four months, we hope that our contributions for the present year will be far more liberal than they have ever been. Respectfully submitted.

M. McGeorge. Agent.

Con. Adopted.

Remarks

Pending the adoption of the above report, several addresses were delivered, the Missionary hymn sung, and collection taken up, which amounted to $45.41.

Collection.

Dr. D. S.

Dr. D. Sinclair, Ruling Elder of Ashpole Church, appeared and renewed a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

The Committee on Devotional exercises reported which was accepted.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess for one hour, to meet in the Academy.

After recess Presbytery met.

Publication

The Report on Publication and Colportage was presented by the Agent, Rev. David Fairley, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

In the cause of Publication, fifteen Churches have contributed the sum of $58.54 since April last.

The amount from each contributing Church is exceedingly small, while there are thirty-one Churches that have made no response.

We are happy to report, that the confidence

Continued. of the Church is fast being restored under the efficient management of the present Committee.

They have made a complete change in the management of their business. The whole printing and selling of books is now done by special contract. They are contracting expenses as far as possible. More than two-thirds of the indebtedness has been cancelled, while they have increased their efficiency.

There is still, however, a pressing obligation of $7,000. which should be lifted, as soon as possible, for the credit of the Church, and that the Committee be encouraged in the active prosecution of their work.

There is to the credit of Colportage $25.07. It will be remembered that the work of Colportage, which is the right-hand of Publication, is now entirely under the supervision of Presbytery. It is an important work, and should be prosecuted vigorously.

Resolved 1st. That this Presbytery, in obedience to the requirements of the General Assembly, direct its Churches to contribute for the liquidation of the debt, that now cripples the Committee of Publication.

Resolved 2d. That vigorous efforts be made to increase the circulation of the Earnest Worker and Children's Friend.

Resolved 3d. That the Presbytery repeat

a former injunction, that each Church contribute annually to the cause of Colportage, and the first Sabbath in August be the time for such Collection. Respectfully submitted.

D. Searby, Agent.

Conducted. Calls & Supplies. Sundry applications for Supplies were presented, and placed in the hands of the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Narrative to Synod. The Committee on the Narrative presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and the Stated Clerk was directed to forward a copy to Synod.

It is as follows: The Committee on the Narrative on the State of Religion within our bounds, would respectfully report to Synod: That the facts as gathered from the Churches, indicate an increase of religious interest on the part of our people, and call for devout gratitude to God for the displays of His grace enjoyed by many of the Churches.

The hearts of many of our Ministers have been cheered by the tokens of the presence and power of the Divine Spirit, blessing the truth to the conversion of souls. In several of the Churches there have been powerful awakenings, and extensive revivals of Religion; and several of our Churches have received unusually large additions to their membership, ranging from 25 to 70, and one as high as 105.

The congregations, for the most part, are reported large and attentive to the word

Continued. preached, and a longing for the salvation of God seems to be drawing the hearts of Christians together at a Throne of Grace, earnestly inquiring, "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?"

Peace and harmony, with few exceptions, prevail in our bounds, and revived interest is manifested in the Sabbath-School in almost all our Churches. Bible Classes, Sabbath Schools and Catechetical instruction are receiving a large share of attention from Ministers, Elders and private members.

Collections have been generally taken up by the Churches for the various objects of Benevolence. If these Collections have not been as large as we would wish to see, still we believe they compare favorably with the scarcity of money and the stringency of the times through which we are passing.

We find much, therefore, in our Condition as a Presbytery, to cheer and comfort the hearts of the true lovers of Zion. We bless God for His goodness and take courage.

Respectfully Submitted.

Concluded. A. McLean Chairman.

Settlement with former Treas-urer. The Committee to settle with the former Treasurer presented their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and the Committee discharged. It is as follows; The Committee immediately on the adjournment of Presbytery, called on

J.P. Bryde. Mr. George P. McNeill, former Treasurer of this Presbytery, for a settlement. Mr. McNeill informed your Committee that he had lost his Treasurer's book, but that from memoranda &c. he could make out his account with Presbytery, which would show the balance on hand.

Your Committee examined the report as thus made, and accepted for first on hand, as a partial settlement, hoping that the Treasurer would be able to find his book; but we regret to report that he has not yet found it; and we desire to leave the matter in the hands of Presbytery.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted. D.D. McBryde. Chairman.

Paper adopted 25 cents per member. The following paper, in reference to Sustentation and Evangelistic work, was presented by Rev. H. G. Hills, which was accepted, and after discussion, adopted, and is as follows:

Resolved, That Presbytery urge upon its Ministers and Churches, according to the Assembly's recommendation, and earnest effort be made to raise an average of 25 cents for member, for both Sustentation and Evangelistic Work.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies presented their Report, recommending Supplies for several Churches on the applications made, which was accepted and adopted, as follows:

The Committee on Calls and Supplies would respectfully report to Presbytery; that applications

Continued. made from these Churches only to Presbytery have been placed in our hands - from Sandy Grove, Salem and St. Andrew's.

1. Sandy Grove applies for the services of Rev. D. Fairly for one fourth of his time, promising $175. The application is regular and in order. Your Committee recommend that the application be granted, and for these reasons: While not regarding the amount as equitable in proportion to service rendered, the Congregation engages to make prompt quarterly payments; and further, the Congregation is in arrears, and engages to make up this arrearage during the year; and, in consequence of this, having reduced their former salary from $200 to $175 and further, the Minister concurs heartily in this arrangement.

2. Salem Church applies for the services of Rev. James P. McPherson for one fourth of his time until the close of this year, and also for the next year, promising $125. for an year. The application coming through the Minister on behalf of the Church, is supposed to be regular and in order.

The Committee do not regard this amount as equitable in proportion to service asked for, especially considering the residence of the Minister. It may be the utmost the Church

Continued. can give, yet it is hoped and believed that with effort more might be done. In view of the need of this Church, and its situation, and the willingness of the Minister to supply till the close of this year, and believing it would be for the interests of Religion, and earnestly desiring that the Church may be regularly supplied, your Committee recommend that the application be granted for this year.

3. St Andrew's Church applies for services of Rev. James McLean for one-half of his time for the year 1878, engaging to pay $200. for an year. The application seems to be regular and in order.

Your Committee do not regard the amount as equitable in proportion to services asked for.

The General Assembly has endeavoured to raise the salaries of its labouring Ministers to $800. for an year as a minimum. The amount offered by this Church is only one-fourth of this minimum salary. Your Committee therefore recommend that the Presbytery grant the application of St. Andrew's for services of Rev. James McLean for one fourth of his time, for the $200. promised. If Rev. James McLean can spare additional time for St. Andrew's, that is a matter for his choice.

The Committee desires by this action that Presbytery should not approve a contract for one half a minister's services for one fourth the Assembly's estimate of its minimum value.

If the Church can only raise one fourth

Concluded. of a Minister's salary, let them claim only one-fourth of his services.

For the Committee. William S. Lacy.

Ashpole Report on. The Committee appointed to visit Ashpole Church, submitted their report, which was accepted, and amended by incorporating in it a paper containing the action of Committee at Ashpole with some alteration.

After protracted discussion, the Report of the Committee, as amended, was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee appointed to visit Ashpole Church for the purpose of composing existing troubles, would report: That they performed that duty during the first week in September, heard patiently both parties in the congregation for two days, and offered recommendations for the settlement of difficulties that were adopted, with but one dissenting voice. The paper adopted by the Ashpole Congregation is as follows:

The Committee of Fayetteville Presbytery appointed by Presbytery to try and settle the difficulties in Ashpole Church, after hearing both parties, would present to the congregation for adoption the following views and recommendations: 1st We are satisfied that the difficulties have been caused mainly by misunderstandings, that have been adequately explained; that the party

Continued. adhering to the Church, erred in regard to the last Congregational meeting; ~~upon electing a Moderator~~: 1st In the Session not calling the meeting; 2nd In not giving sufficient notice; and 3rd In proceeding to an election with two small a proportion of the Church members present — And that in these particulars we regard the disaffected party as showing just grounds of complaint. That the disaffected party erred in absenting themselves from public worship, and putting an improper construction upon certain acts of the Church officers, that the facts, when explained, do not justify.

We see no good reason why the congregation may not pardon mutual offences, and become harmonized; and to secure this result, we make the following recommendations:

1st That the disaffected party return to their position and duties as church members, their rights and privileges being accorded to them unabated by their conduct during the late troubles.

2nd That that portion of the congregation calling the present Stated Supply, and those attending upon his Ministry, make provision for meeting his salary for the present year, the disaffected party to pay their proportionate part of the balance due Rev. A. McDonald.

Continued. 3rd That the Session call on ... day of this present month, in the manner provided by our Form of Government, a Congregational Meeting for the Election of a Minister; and that if the names of any Church officers are handed to the Session, by a considerable minority of Communicants, as unacceptable to the Congregation, a Congregational meeting shall be appointed, at a future day to consider the question of this acceptableness; and this shall be tested by a separate vote of the Communicants, taken by ballot upon each name.

5th That this paper, if adopted by the Congregation, shall be spread on the Minutes of the Session.

(Signed) D. D. McBryde.
H. G. Keill.
A. N. Gorgeson.
D. C. McIntyre.
Alex. McRae.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted. (Signed by the same Com.)

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body.

Statistical Report.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina, That at present they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their care

Continued. 48 Churches, and 2 Candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 25th day of April 1878, they received by letter from Presbytery of Louisiana, Rev. C. M. Shepherson, D.D.; that on the same day they dissolved the Church of Mizpah; that on the 22nd day of June, 1878, they installed Rev. D. Fairley, Pastor of the Church of the Covenant; that on the 29th day of June they ordained to the full work of the Ministry, Licentiate, Daniel A. McRae; that on the 2nd day of October, 1878, they lost by death, and very suddenly, Rev. Archibald Baxter, and that the next Stated Meeting of Presbytery will be held at St. Andrew's Church, Moore County, N.C., on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April 1879, at 10 o'clock A. M. Respectfully Submitted, By order of Presbytery. J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Concluded. Smyrna Church, N.C.
October 5th 1878.

Finance. The Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows: The Committee on Finance would report, That they have examined the Treasurer's Report, book and vouchers, and find them correct, with the following exceptions: For Publication there is a discrepancy of $7, between his report and his book; and for Foreign Missions we find $11.54 have not been carried forward and acknowledged as cash in hand. D. Fairley, Chairman.

Colportage. On motion, our late Colporteur was ordered to report, through the Agent of Colportage, to the spring meeting of Presbytery.

Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the thanks of Presbytery are due and are hereby heartily tendered to the members of Smyrna Church, and the citizens of the Community, for the kind and courteous hospitality extended to this body during its sessions at Smyrna Church, and the Stated Supply is requested to read this resolution from the pulpit, on some day of public worship, to the Congregation.

Funds Collected. The Treasurer reported funds collected during our present sessions, a detailed statement of which will appear next Spring.

W. S. Lacy Trustee. Rev. William S. Lacy was elected a Trustee of Davidson College, for the term of four years.

D. C. Mod. nominated. Rev. Joseph Evans was nominated for Moderator at our Spring Sessions.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Goldsboro, N.C., during the sessions of Synod at the call of the Moderator.

Closed with singing, prayer, and Apostolic Benediction.

J. P. McPherson.
Stated Clerk.

Minutes of adjourned meeting.

Goldsboro, N.C., October 24th, 1878.

Presbytery met at the call of Rev. M. McLean, the last Moderator present, and was opened with prayer.

Present. Present — Ministers, H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, M. McLean, Joseph Evans, H. G. Hill, Wm S. Lacy and Daniel A. McRae.

Ruling Elders — M. E. Dye, Fayetteville; Arch. McMillan, Philadelphus, and D. C. Blue, Bethania.

Petition for Church Shoe Heel. Rev. H. McLean presented and read a petition, numerously signed, praying for the organization of a Church at Shoe Heel, Robeson County, N.C. After some discussion, said prayer

Granted. was granted, and the following Committee appointed to carry out their wishes, if they may think seem clear, viz.: Rev. Messrs H. McLean, A. McLean and H. G. Hill and Ruling Elders, Arch. McMillan and A. S. Baker.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at the Call of the Moderator. Closed with prayer.

Goldsboro, October 26th, 1878.

Presbytery met at the call of the Moderator and was opened with prayer.

D. A. McR. Rev. D. A. McRae was appointed on Visiting Committee to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. Archibald Baker.

200 copies. The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish 200 copies of our Minutes.

Goldsboro;

The Committee to prepare an address on Family Worship were directed to report next Spring. The Minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery then adjourned, to meet at St. Andrew's Church, Moore County, N.C. on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1879, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Examined by Synod in session at Statesville, N.C., and approved.
October 23rd 1879

E. F. Rockwell.
Moderator.

St. Andrew's Church.

One Hundred and Thirty-second Sessions.

St. Andrews Church, Moore County, N.C.
April 24th 1879.

Pres. met. The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev.

Sermon. D. D. McBryde, from Matt. 16; 13. last Clause; "Whom do men say that I, the Son of man, am?"

Constituted. After sermon, the Moderator took the chair and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Present. Ministers Present: H. McLean, J. P. McPherson, D. D. McBryde, A. McQueen, Joseph Evans, James McQueen, John H. Cobb, H. G. Hill, David Fairley, A. A. Ferguson, William S. Lacy and David A. McRae.

Churches Represented: Antioch, H. H. Hodgin; Ashpole, A. S. Buie; Bonhaven, J. E. Clark; Bethel, J. B. McLeod; Bethesda, J. B. Graham; Big-Rockfish, L. C. McLean; Carthage, D. P. Shields; Cypress, Neill Smith; Fayetteville, Dr. J. Small; Flat Branch, D. J. McDonald; Laurinburgh, John McIntyre; Lumberton, John A. McAllister; McPherson, J. A. McArthur; Minnie Springs, L. C. McKinnon; Mt. Pisgah, Hector McNeill; Salem, Malcom Dalgarnels; Sandy Grove, D. K. McDuffie; St. Andrews, James S. McBryde, and Tiza, Geo. D. McLean.

Min. absent. Ministers absent: Neill McFay D.D. O. M. McPherson D.D. A. McMillan, N. T. Bowden, A. McQueen and K. McIntyre.

Ch. not represented. Churches not represented: Bluff, Bethlehem, Bon-Salem, Buffalo, Euphronia, Centre, Okina Grove, Church of the Covenant, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill,

Shannon, Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, Macadam, Mark's Creek, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, Sardis, Sharon, Smyrna and Sherwood.

Mod. & Clerks chosen.

Rev. Joseph Evans was chosen Moderator and Rev. Wm. S. Lacy and Mr. John A. McAllister temporary clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess, Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of the last stated meeting was dispensed with.

Error Corrected.

On motion, an error in the date of the ordination of Rev. D. A. McRae was corrected, so that the date in the adjourned meeting of Presbytery should read, June 29th instead of June 30th.

Rev. Neil McKay D.D., and J. H. Dalrymple, Ruling Elder of Buffalo Church, appeared and made satisfactory excuses, the former for absence from the last meeting of Presbytery, and for tardiness, and the latter for tardiness.

Rev. C. M. S.

Rev. C. M. Shipperson D.D. tendered by letter a satisfactory reason for absence from the present sessions of Presbytery, and, on motion, his request to labour beyond our bounds for six months, was granted.

Rev. A. McM.

Rev. A. McMillan, by letter, tendered a satisfactory excuse for absence from our present sessions.

The Moderator announced Rev. James McLean and James S. McBride as the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

Order of the day.

On motion, the Report on Sustentation was made the order of the day for tomorrow at 10 o'clock A.M.; the Report on Education the first order of the day for to-morrow

afternoon; and the Report of the Agent of Publication, the second order; the Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions the first order of the day for Saturday afternoon.

Visiting Committees.

The following Visiting Committees reported, viz:

First District — nothing done.

Second District — Salem visited; no others.

Third District — Sandy Grove, Fayetteville, Bethlehem and Gilead visited.

Fourth District — none visited since full meeting.

Fifth District — none visited since full meeting.

Sixth District — none visited.

Par. Book.

The question upon the adoption of the Revised Book of Church Order was made the second order of the day for to-morrow morning.

Committees announced.

The Moderator announced the following Committees, viz:

On Finance — D. P. Shields, L. G. McLean & E. H. Hodgin.

Sanation — Rev. H. G. Reid and J. B. Graham.

Systematic Benificence — Rev. M. McLean & Dr. J. Sproull.

Calls and Supplies — Rev. D. D. McBryde & H. H. Hodgin.

Reciprocal Duties — Rev. J. H. Cobb & J. A. McArthur.

Minutes of Synod — Rev. N. McKay D.D. & J. H. McDonald.

On Sessional Records — 1st Rev. H. McLean & J. D. McLeod, Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Sandy Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Sherwood and Tirza.

2nd, Rev. D. Fairley and J. E. Clark — Antioch, Bethel, Ben Salem, Carthage, Buffalo, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, Centre, Chinquapin Grove, Euphronia, Fayetteville and Union.

Sessional Records.

3rd: Rev. David A. McRae and J. McIntyre, — Church of the Covenant, Flat Branch, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill and Mineral Spring. 4th Rev. A. A. Ferguson and L. C. McPherson — Lacomberough, Lebanon, McPherson's Macedonia, Mark's Creek, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Philadelphus, Rockingham, Salem and Sardis.

Rev T. J. A. & G. M. Gibbs.

On motion, Rev. T. J. Allison, of Presbytery of Orange, and Rev. G. M. Gibbs, of Presbytery of Concord, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Rule 11. S. Rules.

On motion, a Committee was appointed, consisting of Rev. N. McKay D.D. Rev. H. G. Hill and J. B. Graham, to take into consideration a Resolution introduced by Dr. McKay, with reference to Rule 11. Standing Rules.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

Friday Morning, April 25th 1879.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Themes for L. A. McLean.

The following themes for trial pieces were assigned to Mr. L. A. McLean, a Candidate under our care: 1. An exegesis on "Quæ conditiones sunt infantibus de regeneratione?"

2. A Critical exercise on 1st Corinthians 3: 10-16. verses.

3. A Lecture on first Psalm.

4. A popular Sermon on Matt: 22: 42.

A. B. Currie.

Mr. A. B. Currie, Ruling Elder of Bro. Salem Church, appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Historical Sketches of Churches.

On motion it was Resolved, That the Ministers and Sessions of all the Churches in the bounds of this Presbytery be directed to report historical sketches of their Churches, and that the Stated Clerk be ordered to correspond with the Ministers nearest the vacant Churches and secure their assistance for the Sessions of such Churches in the preparation of historical sketches.

Report on Family Worship.

Rev. M. McQueen submitted the Report of the Special Committee appointed at the last meeting of Presbytery on Family Worship, which, on motion, was accepted and adopted, and a copy was ordered to be furnished to the North Carolina Presbyterian for publication, and that Pastors and Stated Supplies be requested to read such report from their pulpits. It is as follows, viz:

Report on Family Worship.

Your Committee appointed to bring in a paper on family worship would submit the following Report for your consideration:

The family is the first form of government known to our race, and all others are but developments of, or modeled after, the family constitution. The family was designed by God to be a school of Religion — a nursery of piety — and for centuries, the Church, or true Religion, was

Report continued. perpetuated in the bosom of the family, without the aid of public services.

But the Church has never been preserved by public exercises without family religion.

If there be no living piety in the family, there will be none in the Church, for the Church is but ~~the~~ the aggregate of families, and the standards of piety in the Church must depend upon the piety of the families which constitute it. One of the serious tendencies of our day, is to drift away from family religion, and to depend entirely upon public services, to the neglect of the family altar. The wide-spread neglect of family religion is a crying evil of our times.

In patriarchal days, the man, as head of the family, was priest, to offer up the morning and evening sacrifice for his household. So, in the Christian dispensation, the head of the family is to offer up spiritual sacrifices, morning and evening, for his family. That there should be an altar in every house will not be denied by any.

It is a duty every man owes his Maker, to erect an altar to gather his family around it morning and evening, and lead them in their devotions. It is a duty he owes his household to invoke God's daily mercies and blessings upon it, and thus make it a school for training the young for God's service.

Continued. He should adopt the language of Joshua: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

He is not only to determine that he will serve the Lord, but that his family shall serve Him. It is a solemn duty he owes his own soul. No man has a right to expect God's favour, or to enjoy His approbation while he neglects such a plain and solemn duty. God's smiling countenance shines only upon the path of duty, and those who live in the discharge of all their known Christian duties, enjoy that light; while those who neglect them, live in darkness, confusion and trouble.

And from what we have previously seen, it is a duty every man owes the Church, to contribute his part to its piety and zeal. A Christian household without an altar, without reading the Scriptures and prayer, is a sad spectacle to angels and men. Such families are classed by God with the heathen — "Pour out Thy fury upon the heathen that know Thee not, and upon the families that call not upon Thy name."

Surely, for a man to neglect his known duty to God, to his family, to his own soul and to his Church, is a sin of no ordinary magnitude.

If religion were cultivated in every family, if every house were a Bethel, and every hearthstone an altar from which morning and evening prayers would ascend, as sweet incense before the Lord, the Church would soon arise in its might and

Continued. Conquer the world. But there are so many prayerless households, so many strangers at a throne of grace that the Church is like Sampson when shorn of his locks and power. But the heads of those prayerless families, all begin with one accord to make their vain excuses. One pleads dumbness of speech, says he is not "gifted in prayer". But has he ever made the effort, and failed? Has he ever failed to make known his wants to ~~his~~ fellow-men?

If he can make known his wants to man, surely he can plead with God, who knows the desires of his heart before they are clothed in language.

If nominated for office he would not decline running on the ground that he was not gifted in speech.

God has stripped him of every excuse, by answering the simple prayer of the Publican, rather than the long, pretentious prayer of the Pharisee.

Another excuses himself on the ground that he has no time, no time for prayer! no time to thank God for all his past mercies, or to implore His blessing and guidance upon himself and his household! If he could only see how much time is lost and misspent for lack of God's guidance and favour, he would soon realize that his excuse is but a futile attempt to conceal the enormity of his sin, and silence the upbraidings of his guilty conscience. Another acknowledges his duty, confesses his dereliction, but declares that he has neglected it so long that he

Report is now ashamed to erect a family altar. But further neglect will only increase his condemnation. Our Saviour says, "Whosoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him also shall the Son of Man be ashamed when He cometh in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

Concluded. Presbytery, pained at the wide spread neglect of family worship, does hereby earnestly exhort and enjoin upon all the heads of families under its care, at once to erect family altars, and let the light of their morning and evening sacrifices illumine the spiritual gloom that enshrouds our beloved Zion.

Respectfully submitted.

A. McLean,
W. S. Lacey, } Committee.
John Shaw.

Commissioners to G. Ass. Presbytery proceeded to appoint Commissioners to the next General Assembly, when Rev. D. D. McBryde and Mr. H. H. Hodgins, Ruling Elder of Antioch Church, were chosen principals; and Rev. A. McLean and Mr. John A. McAllister, Ruling Elder of Limerick Church, alternates.

J. L. McK. Mr. John L. McKinnon, Ruling Elder of Sharon Church, appeared in Presbytery and assigned a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Rev. A. Baker. On motion, a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, H. McLean and H. G. Hill, was appointed to

prepare a biographical sketch of Rev. Archibald Baker, deceased.

The order of the day for this hour, Sustentation, was taken up, when the Report was read by the Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hill, which was accepted, amended and adopted, and is as follows, viz:—

Report on Sustentation.

The Sustentation Committee would make to Presbytery the following Report for the year ending April 1st 1879:

1st As to Ministerial Support:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville has labouring within its limits, and on its roll, seventeen ordained Ministers. Sixteen of these are regularly engaged in preaching, and one is mainly occupied in teaching school.

Within our bounds, three Pastorates are probably able to give salaries of $800. The average salary promised labouring Ministers in the Presbytery is about $710. This is smaller than last year by $10.

2nd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year embraced by this report, your Treasurer mentions 31 Churches as contributing to Sustentation $1,17.94. The number of contributing Churches reported is 7 greater than last year, but there is a decrease in amount of $15.40. Seventeen of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year, but some of the delinquent areas have paid since the 1st of April, and others, we hope, may pay their contributions at the present meeting of Presbytery.

A balance of $12.84, was received last April from

Continued. the former Treasurer for Sustentation, without the names of the contributing Churches being given. This makes the whole amount contributed to Sustentation for the year $1,150.33.

For the current year, the following appropriations have been asked from the Assembly's Committee:

For Rockingham Church	$100.00
For Cypress and Lumber Station	75.00.
For Harmony Church	25.00.
Whole amount	$200.00.

These amounts have been granted, and the first installments will be paid when these Churches have rounded with their stated Supplies an agreement sanctioned by Presbytery.

3rd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic Work.

For the Financial year Your Treasurer reports 30 Churches as contributing to this Cause $1,160.56. Compared with last year, this shows an increase of 11 contributing Churches, and of $70.00. in the amount. Some may have forwarded their contributions to this object to the Treasurer, and a few have paid since the 1st of April, but according to his report 18 of our Churches have given nothing to the Cause of Domestic Missions within the year. A balance for this fund of $13.01, was received last April from the former Treasurer, without the names of the contributing Churches being given. This makes the amount contributed for Evangelistic work in the year $1,173.57. Four of our Churches have contributed to the Colored Evangelistic Fund $11.55.

For the current year we have asked of the Assembly's

Sustentation Continued.

Committee from the Evangelistic Fund $25. to aid Mr. Phillips Coloured Church in securing the services of Rev. D. A. McRae, and the first installment of this amount $12.50. has been paid.

4th. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports, as contributed to this fund during the year by 34 Churches, $150.65. Compared with the previous year, this is an increase of 13 Contributing Churches, and of $63.42. in amount. Fourteen of our Churches are not reported as contributing anything to the Support of disabled and deceased Ministers and their families for a year.

But we are glad to state that the amount contributed exceeds the sum asked this present year for beneficiaries connected with our own Presbytery, by about $30.00.

Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund:

For Mrs Sarah D. Sherwood ——— $80.00.
For Mrs Kate McNeill ——— 40.00
Whole amount ——— $120.00.

These sums have been fully paid, and gave assistance to grateful recipients.

5th As to Supplies to vacant Churches:

Mark's Creek – 1 Sabbath and Sacraments J. H. Cobb.
Centre – D. A. McRae 1. Sabbath and A. McLean 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.
Shoe Heel – D. A. McRae 1. Sabbath and A. McLean 1. Sabbath and sacraments.
Lizzie D. R. McKay 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.
Flat Branch – D. R. McKay 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.
Mt. Carmel – T. J. Allison 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.

Continued.

Harmony – T. J. Allison – 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.
Long Street – D. Fairley 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.

Your Committee would also recommend that Presbytery urge the vacant Churches of Harmony and Mt Carmel to take steps to unite with Rockingham Church in employing Rev. T. J. Allison for half his time as their Stated Supply, so that he may give each Church at least one service per month, the terms of engagement to be submitted for approval to the next meeting of Presbytery; and this recommendation, if adopted by Presbytery, be made known to these Churches by the Sustentation Committee.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Cobb Chairman.

Church at Shoe Heel organized.

The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Shoe Heel, Robeson County, N.C. reported that they met in that village on the 19th day of December 1878, and finding the way clear discharged that duty. Twenty six members, having letters of dismission from Centre Church, were received by the Committee, when three Elders were chosen and installed, and three Deacons were chosen, one installed and two ordained.

Assessed $10.

We recommend that the Church be assessed $10. towards the Presbyterial Fund. On motion, this report was accepted and adopted.

Elders & Deacons.

[Note: The Elders are, D. Morrison, N. J. Currie and R. McCaskill, and the Deacons are, J. C. McCaskill, Dr. J. D Croom and James C. McLean]

3rd Order.

It was made the third order of the day this afternoon to hear reports of the Committees on Sessional Records.

S. Records.

D. P. Shields.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. D. P. Shields, after the

Sessions of this forenoon.

Former Treasurer. The Committee to settle with the former Treasurer presented their report, which was accepted, and, for the present, laid upon the table.

New Book. The second order of the day, being the question upon the adoption of the "New Book of Church Order," was taken up, and, on motion, it was decided to proceed to the reading of the Form of Government and Book of Discipline in connection with the Revised Book of Church Order, pending which Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

J. T. McBorquadale. After recess, Presbytery met. Mr. J. T. McBorquadale, Ruling Elder of China Grove Church, appeared in Presbytery, and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Presbytery then continued the order of the day, when, after reading the Book of Church Order, the reading was arrested.

It was then ordered that the Statistical reports of Sessions be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk.

On motion, the order of the day for this hour was still further suspended in order to hear the Report of the Treasurer, that it may be referred to the Committee of Finance. This report was read, and, on motion it, with the accompanying book and vouchers, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Report of Treasurer. Referred.

Mt. Carmel, Harmony & Rockingham. Rev. Messrs M. McLean, J. H. Cobb and A. T. Ferguson were appointed a special Committee to visit Mt. Carmel, Harmony and Rockingham Churches, for the purpose of securing their acquiescence in the suggestion of Presbytery

with reference to their uniting and securing the services of Rev. T. J. Allison for one half of his time.

Report on Education. The first order of the day for this afternoon, viz. the Report on Education was taken up, when said report was read, accepted and the resolution appended thereto adopted. It is as follows, viz: 1st. As to Candidates. Messrs F. P. Harrell and L. A. McLean, the two Candidates under the Care of Presbytery, have completed the second year of the Course in Union Theological Seminary. The reports from the Faculty of the Seminary indicate the diligence and scholarship of our Candidates.

2nd. As to Support. Each of our Candidates has received One hundred and seventy five dollars during the past year. Mr. Harrell $90. on a Scholarship, and $85. from the Assembly's Committee; and Mr. McLean, $75. on a scholarship, and $100. from the Committee, which amounts to $50. more than the Committee felt themselves authorized to promise to each of our Candidates.

3rd. As to Contributions. According to Treasurer's Report, 25 Churches contributed to this Cause during the past year $130.46. In addition to this, 5 churches have sent up to this meeting of Presbytery $15. Other Churches may have given to this Cause. So far as your Committee now know, 30 Churches have given to this Cause $143.46. This, as compared with last year shows a falling off of 3. in number of contributing Churches, and of $99.03. in the amount contributed.

In view of these facts, the Committee offer the following Resolution, viz:

Resolution. Resolved, That Presbytery urge Pastors and Stated Supplies to present the claims of this Cause to the Churches under

Concluded. their Care, and to use every proper means, in Connection with the Elders and Deacons, to secure an increase of liberality in support of this Cause.

J. H. Cobb. Chairman.

Publication. The Report of the Agent of Publication being the second order of the day, was read, amended and adopted, and is as follows:

The Agent of Publication would Report to Presbytery for the year ending April 1st 1879.: That 28 Churches have Contributed the sum of $126.68. to this Cause; the remaining 20 Churches have done nothing.

When we Consider the necessities of the Committee, the importance of the work, and the often repeated injunctions of the Church Courts in its behalf, this is a humiliating exhibit: Is our regard for this arm of the Church to be estimated by what we have done? Is it not an important part of the Church's work? Has it not a just claim upon our benevolence? Why, then, are nearly one half of our Churches delinquent? This ought not to be.

As to Colporting, we would report: There is a debit to its funds of $55.68. It is highly important that we have a Colporteur in the field at once.

Resolved, Therefore. That Mr. L. A. McLean be again employed by this Presbytery as Colporteur for three months, and that he be paid a salary of Twenty-five dollars per month, allowing him, besides, the usual Commission on Sales.

Resolved 2nd. That all the Churches that did

not take up the annual collection for Colportage last August, be directed to take up said Collection on the first Sabbaths in May, or as soon thereafter as practicable, and that the money be forwarded to the Treasurer.

Publication

Concluded.

D. Fairley, Agent.

Colportage

Report of Colporteur.

Your Colporteur, Mr. L. A. McLean, spent his vacation, from May 10th 1878 to August 10th selling books.

Report.

He laboured, however, under very great disadvantage, doing the work for the most part on foot, carrying his books upon his arm. Owing to the great scarcity of money, he was compelled to sell books on time, taking notes on solvent parties, payable on gathering of their crops. He visited 16 congregations, not canvassing them all thoroughly, but as he saw a prospect of making sales. He travelled about 500 miles, visited about 700 families and delivered about 32 public addresses.

Sold Hymn Books, including S.S. Music	113. Copies.
Confession of Faith	25. "
Bible Dictionaries	17 "
Miscellaneous	515
Total	672 Copies.
Miscellaneous	24.
	696.

Amount of money received from Treasurer $74.55.
Proceeds of sale of old books on hand in damaged condition
$10.44 = 94.55 Total $104.79.
From this amount we deduct his salary $75. which leaves a balance of $29.99 in the hands of Presbytery. No Books left on

Concluded. This report was accepted, and the diligence of the Colporteur approved.

Sessional recor. as app. proved. The Reports of Committees on Sessional Records, being the third order of the day, were read and adopted, when the following were approved; viz: Sandy Grove, Bethesda, Sherwood, Smyrna, Big-Rockfish, Ash-Hole, St. Paul's, Bluff, Sharon, McPherson's, Philadelphus, Laurinburgh and Lebanon; and the following with exceptions, viz: Bethlehem, Barbecue, Tirzah, Montpelier, Mt. Pisgah, Marks Creek and Salem. The following were approved, Buffalo, Lumberton, Bethel, Union, Lumber-Bridge, Antioch, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Big-Salem, and Lumberton. and the following with exceptions; Flat Branch, Iona, Mineral Spring, Galatia, Laurel Hill, Cypress, Centre, and St. Andrew's.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. D. A. McRae and Mr. John McIntyre.

Report on Vacant Chs. Report on Vacant Churches.

The Committee on vacant Churches and Stated Supplies, recommend to Presbytery the adoption of the following resolutions, viz: 1st That the Pastoral relation be established with the least possible delay, when it is practicable, 2nd That the semi-annual reports from the Churches by the Elders and the Ministers, whether Pastors or Stated Supplies, are the clearest recognition of Presbyterial authority and control, in reference to the Churches and Ministers.

3rd That when Presbytery assents to the formation

Continued. of the Pastoral relation, or grants a Stated Supply, it is not for an indefinite time, but subject to the wishes of the parties interested, and the judgment of the Presbytery.

4th That the rule requiring annual, and semi-annual congregational meetings, to re-invite and re-employ their Stated Supplies, be and hereby is repealed.

Concluded. This report was accepted and adopted.

New Book of Church Order. On motion, the reading of the Form of Government and Book of Church Order was suspended, and upon calling the roll, the following vote was taken, viz:

Roll Called. Ayes - Ministers - H. McLean, D.D. McBryde, M. McLean, Joseph Evans, James McQueen, H. G. Hall, David Fairley, A. T. Ferguson, and W. S. Lacy. Ruling Elders, H. H. Hodgin, A. S. Buie, J. B. McLeod, J. B. Graham and L. A. McLean, Total 14.

Nays - Ministers - J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. John H. Cobb, and Daniel A. McRae. Ruling Elders, J. E. Clark, J. H. Dalrymple, Neill Smith, D. J. McDonald, J. McIntyre, J. A. McAllister, J. A. McArthur, L. C. McKinnon, Hector McNeill, M. Dalrymple, Jas. S. McBryde and Geo. A. D. McLean. Total 16.

During the discussion of the privilege of members of Presbytery voting, who were out of the house at the time the voting commenced, but came in before the vote was announced, a motion was made to adjourn till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, which motion prevailed.

Adjourned. Closed with prayer.

Saturday Morning, April 26th 1879.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

New Book. On motion, Messrs J. Small, A. B. Currie, and J. L. McKinnon were allowed to record their votes in favour of the Book of Church Order, and Mr. J. F. McCorquodale against it.

Final Vote. The final vote stood 17 to 17.

Report to Gen. Ass. Whereupon, it was Resolved, The Stated Clerk of Presbytery be instructed to report to the General Assembly the number of Ministers and Elders voting in favour of the New Book, and the number of Ministers and Elders voting against it; and that the Moderator of Presbytery voted as a Presbyter.

Reciprocal Duties. The Committee on reciprocal duties submitted their report, which was accepted and approved:

The Committee on Reciprocal Duties submitted the following report: Reports on this subject have come into our hands from the sessions of the following Churches: Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Bethlehem, Buffalo, Eupatoria, Lebanon, Fayetteville, Philadelphia, Antioch, Lumberton, McPherson's, Laurinburgh, and Montpelier. Also from the following Ministers: A. A. Ferguson, H. G. Hill, W. S. Lacy, D. A. McRae, H. McLean, and J. H. Cobb; also, from G. M. Gibbs and T. J. Allison, labouring, by permission, within our bounds.

Continued. From these reports, it appears that the Pastors and Stated Supplies have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, and with two exceptions, their support is sufficient to relieve them from worldly cares and avocations.

Of the 13 Churches reporting, 7 have fully met their obligations to their Ministers. Elders and Deacons are generally reported as being diligent and faithful in discharge of their duties. There is some complaint from one Church of the want of fidelity on the part of the Deacons. One Pastor states that the male members of his Church are delinquent in attending the weekly services.

Concluded. Leave of absence, after this morning's Session, was granted to J. A. McArthur, Rev. H. G. Hill, Dr. J. Small, Gen. A. D. McLean and Rev. Neill McKay D.D.

Narrative to Gen. Ass. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly submitted the following report, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly, viz:

The Committee on the narrative to the General Assembly would submit the following report:

The reports from the Churches within our bounds are not complete, but give such facts and statistics as enable us to form conceptions approximately true respecting their moral and spiritual conditions.

We would report to the General Assembly, that while some of our Churches have been feeble and vacant, arrangements are in progress that we hope will soon result in giving them all the regular ministrations of the word.

Continued. While there has been no extensive revival of Religion, no powerful outpouring of the Holy Spirit, many of our Churches have grown under the stated preaching of the Gospel, and report accessions to their membership, varying from one to more than thirty.

The following particulars indicate a favorable state of things among our Churches:

1st. There is a good attendance upon public worship, a general desire to secure regular preaching on the part of feeble Churches, the promoters of peace and harmony, with few exceptions, and more vigorous efforts for a Scriptural observance of the Sabbath.

2d. The contributions of our Churches, though not so large as they should be, are more regularly made to the Assembly's objects of benevolence, and a smaller number than formerly report omitted collections.

3d. Sabbath-school work is making gratifying progress, and increased attention is paid to the instruction and training of the children of the Church.

4th. Female benevolent and missionary societies are organized within our bounds, and render important aid to our Church interests; and in some of our Sabbath-schools the children contribute regularly to the objects of Church beneficence during the periods prescribed by the Assembly.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported

Systematic Beneficence. as follows, which was accepted and approved:

Your Committee on Systematic Beneficence would present the following report, to be forwarded to the General Assembly:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that our forty-eight Churches contributed as follows:

35.	Churches gave to	Sustentation	$184.36.
35.	" "	" Evangelistic fund	" 168.87.
35.	" "	" Invalid fund	" 161.77.
37.	" "	" Foreign Missions	" 641.35.
34.	" "	" Education	" 176.79.
33.	" "	" Publication	" 149.27.
20.	" "	" Miscellaneous objects	" 244.61.
	Total		$1,727.22.

Of our forty-eight Churches, 29 gave to 6 objects of the Assembly, 5 gave to 5, 1 gave to 4, 2 gave to 2, and 1 gave to 1.

Only 2 obeyed the injunction of the Assembly in contributing to Colored Institute; 12 of our Churches reported no contributions to the cause of Beneficence.

Respectfully submitted. M. McQueen, Chairman.

Concluded.

Minutes of Synod. The Committee on Minutes of Synod reported as follows, which was adopted: That they find nothing in said Minutes claiming the attention of Presbytery that has not been presented by the Committees on the various objects of Christian Beneficence.

Petition for Ch. at Carnesow. On motion, the following paper in reference to the petition of sundry citizens of Carnesow and vicinity, praying for the organization of a Church at that place was adopted, viz:

Carnation Continued. Resolved, 1st That the Committee of Visiting of the West District be directed to visit Union Church at as early a day as practicable, and adjust the question as to the proportion of pecuniary obligations due to the Pastor of Union Church, from those members of said Church who desire connecting themselves with a Church to be organized at Carnation.

Resolved 2nd That Presbytery grant the petition of sundry persons presented to this meeting, praying for the organization of a Church at Carnation, and that a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs David Hanley and Wm. S. Lacy, with E. McGoldrary, Ruling Elder, be appointed to organize a Church at Carnation, as soon as the way shall be clear; and the way shall not be clear until the persons who are members of Union Church, and who contemplate a connection with the proposed Church at Carnation, comply with whatever terms of adjustment, as to pecuniary obligations may be agreed upon in Conference with the Visiting Committee.

Conclude d.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted the following report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

"The Committee on Calls and Supplies recommend that the following requests for Stated Supplies be granted:-

1st - Bethel, for the services of Rev. A. McQueen for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $200.

2nd - Salem Church, for the services of Rev. J. B. McPherson for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $125.

3rd - Sharrard Church, for the services of Rev. Joseph Evans for preaching in the forenoon of every third Sabbath on a salary of $250.

Calls & Supplies 4th Mt. Tabor Church, for the services of Rev. Joseph Evans for preaching in the afternoon of every third Sabbath, on a salary of $100.

5th Smyrna Church, for the services of Rev. A. N. Ferguson for one half of his time on a salary of $350.

6th Lebanon Church, for the services of Rev. D. A. McRae for one third of his time, on such salary as he and his Congregation may agree upon.

Continued.

7th McPherson's for the services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs for one half of his time on a salary of $275.

8th Bethlehem Church, for the services of Rev. H. G. Hill for a monthly service during the week, on a salary of $65.

9th Sardis Church, for the services of Rev. D. D. McBryde for one half of his time, on a salary of $300.

10th Montpelier Church, for the services of Rev. J. H. Cobb one third of his time, on a salary of $300.

11th Laurinburgh Church, for the services of Rev. J. H. Cobb two thirds of his time, on a salary of $600.

12th Barbacoa Church, for the services of Rev. James McQueen for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $200.

13th St. Andrew's Church, for the services of Rev. James McQueen for one half of his time, on a salary of $200.

14th Mt. Pisgah Church, for the services of Rev. James McQueen for one fourth of his time, on a salary of $100.

15th Flat Branch Church, for the services of Rev. Neill McKay D.D. for so much of his time, as he may choose to give them, on such compensation as they may choose and may be able to give.

16th Bethesda Church, for the ministerial services of Rev. McQueen one fourth of his time, on a salary of $200.

Calls & Sup. 17th Galatia Church, for the services of Rev. J. F. McPherson one third of his time on a salary of $200.
18th Lumber-Bridge Church for the services of Rev. J. P. McPherson one third of his time on a salary of $200.

Concluded. Leave of absence. Mr. D. J. McDonald obtained leave of absence after recess to-day.

Place & time of next meeting. On motion, Presbytery proceeded to fix the place and time of next meeting, when Sharon Church, Montgomery County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the second Sabbath in October 1879, at 12. o'clock, M. was fixed as the time.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

Foreign Missions. After recess, Presbytery met and took up the order of the day for this hour, when the report of Rev. M. McFarlan, Agent of Foreign Missions, was read, accepted and adopted, viz:

In reviewing the past and present condition of Missionary work by our Church, one strange fact presents itself for our serious consideration, namely: That the greatest hindrance to the Cause of Foreign Missions is found in the Church at Home. Not that she is unwilling to give her sons to the cause, but she fails to supply the means for their support. Young men offer themselves freely, saying "Here we are - send us"; but the Committee are constrained to reply - "We are without the funds".

There has been no change in our Missionary fields since our last report, and but little in our missionary force. Rev. John W. Dubney and lady have returned to reinforce the Corisponus Mission, and

Foreign Mis. Continued. the Rev. J. C. Kennedy, of South Carolina, though not in connection with our Committee, has taken charge of the Churches and Academy in the Choctaw Nation, left vacant by the death of Rev. Harris Dana.

Encouraging reports come to us from all our Mission Stations in South America, China, Greece, Mexico, and among the Indians. Over one hundred and fifty members have been added to the Churches at these Stations during the past year. The last Ecclesiastical year closed with a debt of 9000 Dollars.

The first months of the present year the advance of Contributions from all sources encouraged the hope that the debt would be cancelled by the close of the year. This hope was disappointed by a corresponding decension in the Contributions for the latter part of the year. We are glad to report that there was no falling off in the Contributions of our Presbytery. Last year our Contributions amounted to $893,18. This year we reported $950.20. - a difference in favor of the present year of $57,02. Last year only 33 Churches were represented in the Contributions; this year 41. have Contributed.

We can but consider it a matter of encouragement, that while money was never scarcer in our bounds than during the present year, there has been a slight advance both in the aggregate of Contributions and in the number of Contributing Churches.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted, M. McFarlan Agent.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. L. C. McKinnon.

Rev. G. M. G. A letter of dismission to the Rev. G. M. Gibbs from Concord Presbytery to this Presbytery was read,

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whereupon, after the usual examination, he was received and enrolled as a member of this Presbytery.

S. School Report.

The Agent of Sabbath-Schools, Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, submitted his report, which was read, approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. (See Appendix.)

Orders on Treasurer.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay the account of Jackson and Bell for printing Minutes of Presbytery; the expenses of Commissioners to General Assembly, each $60.; the Assessment of General Assembly, $70.; and the Assessment of Synod $40.

Order to print Minutes.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was directed to have 300. Copies of our present Minutes printed.

Orders on Treasurer.

On motion, the Stated Clerk and Treasurer was allowed $10. to pay incidental expenses of both offices.

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay to each of our Trustees in Davidson College $12.

Treasurer re-elected.

On motion, Rev. J. P. McPherson was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the ensuing year.

Reports were heard from supplies to vacant Churches, and all, with one exception, were filled.

Vote of thanks.

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville does hereby express its appreciation of the courtesy and hospitality extended this body during its Sessions, and does hereby tender its thanks for the kind attention of the members of St. Andrews Church and Congregation, and to the Rail Roads for favours shown.

Sustentation Docketed.

A paper with reference to the work of Sustentation was read, and ordered to be placed on the Docket for our next meeting of Presbytery.

Treasurer's Books &c Approved.

The Committee of Finance reported that they had examined the Book and accounts of the Treasurer, and found all accounts properly sustained with vouchers.

This reported was adopted.

The Treasurer presented a supplemental report, showing the amounts collected since April 1st which was read as a matter of information.

Arrearages.

The following paper, in reference to arrearages due to the Presbyterial Fund, was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That Rev. H. G. Hill be appointed to assist the Treasurer in collecting these arrearages; and that if other evidence of any Church having paid their assessment be absent, that they accept as sufficient evidence of the fact, the statement of that fact by the Session, shall be considered as satisfactory.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded: It is as follows, viz:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that they consist of 18 Ministers, and have under their Care 49 Churches, and 2 Candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 28th day of June 1878, they ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry, Mr. Daniel A. McRae; that on the 2nd day of October 1878, they lost by death, and very suddenly, Rev. Archibald Baker; and that on the 26th day of April 1879

they recieved by letter from Concord Presbytery, Rev. George M. Gibbs.

Respectfully submitted. J. P. McPherson S. C.

6 instead of 4 Com's. On motion, Resolved, That the Standing Rules be so amended as to provide for the appointment, at the Spring meeting, of six, instead of 4 Committees to revise Sessional Records.

Annual Report. The Stated Clerk presented the annual Report to General Assembly, which was approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body; and that the word "Teacher" be appended to the names of Rev. A. McMillan and Rev. R. T. Bowden, (See Appendix.)

Time of meeting. On motion, the time for holding our fall Sessions was reconsidered, when Wednesday, instead of Thursday, before the second Sabbath in October 1879, at 12 o'clock M. was fixed as the time.

G. Ass. Order. It was ordered that the General Assembly's requirement upon Presbyteries to call upon Churches to account for delinquencies, (See Minutes of Assembly) be put on the Docket.

The Committee of Finance reported which was accepted and they were ordered to pay over the money in their hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery. (See Appendix.)

Rev. Wm S Lacy was nominated for Moderator of next meeting of Presbytery.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Sharon Church, Montgomery County, N. C. On Wednesday before the second Sabbath in October 1879, (8th day of

the month) at 12 o'clock M.

Closed with singing, prayer, and Apostolic Benediction.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

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[For Treasurer's Report, see Appendix].

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J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

Rev. J. P. McPherson, Treasurer, in account current with Presbytery of Fayetteville, from October 1st, 1878, to April 1st, 1879.

Debit.

SUSTENTATION.

Montpelier Church $4.94, Laurinburgh $6.37, Iona $1, Ben-Salem $1, Macedonia $1, Cypress $6.23, Mineral Spring $1.63, Lumberton $4, Philadelphus $1.37, Lumber-Bridge $5.35, Galatia $2.81, Bethlehem $1.94, St. Andrew's $3, Laurel Hill $18.80, Smyrna $4.30, Bethesda $4.20, Bluff $10.00. Big Rockfish $4, Lebanon 75 cents, Antioch $1.30, China Grove $3, Church of the Covenant $5.00, Fayetteville $9.10.

Total for this object.....$101.09

PUBLICATION.

Montpelier Church $2, Laurinburgh $2.45, Iona $1, Ben-Salem $1, Macedonia $1, Sardis $2.14, Bethesda $3.25, Galatia $1.52, Bethlehem $2.12, Lebanon 50 cents, Antioch $2, Lumber-Bridge $5, Lumberton $4.03, China Grove $2, Church of the Covenant $5, Laurel Hill $17.50, Smyrna $6.65, Fayetteville $9.10.

Total for this object.....$68.26

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Big-Rockfish $7, Antioch $4.54, Montpelier $3.25; Mark's Creek $1.10, Iona $2, Ben-Salem $3, Macedonia $2, Harmony $2, Sardis $9.42, Presbyterial Collection $45.41, Buffalo $15, Ladies' Aid Society St. Paul's Church $16, Neill McA. Graham $1, Tirza $3.16, Mt. Pisgah $2, Ladies' Missionary Society Mt. Tabor Church $4, Ladies' Missionary Society Antioch $3, Laurinburg $11.45, China Grove $5, Church of the Covenant $25.88, Ladies' Aid Society $11.

Total for this object.....$177.21

INVALID FUND.

Cash on hand September 30, 1878, $9.45; Montpelier Church $2, Laurinburg $8.35, St. Andrew's $5, Mark's Creek $1, Iona $1, Sardis $1.85, Fayetteville $9.80. Buffalo $8, Rockingham $1.50, Tirza $1.84, St. Paul's $10, Big-Rockfish $4, Laurinburg $7.13, China Grove $1.58, Church of the Covenant $3.

Total for this object.....$75.50

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Cash on hand September 29, 1878, $8.50; Montpelier $2.38; Laurinburgh $9.28, St. Andrew's $5, Lebanon $1.70, Laurel Hill $20, Smyrna $3.90, Sardis $1.85, Salem Church $1 76, Lumberton $2.80, Philadelphus $1, Bethlehem $2.08, Buffalo $10, Rockingham $3.50, McPherson $2.55, Bethesda $4.70, Bluff $6.75, Lumberton $5.20, Fayetteville $16.43, Big-Rockfish $2, Church of the Covenant $2.

Total for this object.....$116.38

EDUCATION.

Iona Church $1, Pee Dee $7.75. Philadelphus $2.64, Bethlehem $1, Galatia $3.09, Mineral Spring $2.68, Salem $2.20, Lumber-Bridge $3.05, McPherson's $14, Lebanon $2, Tirza $2, St. Andrew's $5, St. Paul's $10, Mt. Pisgah $2, Smyrna $2, Laurel Hill $11.25, Bluff $6.75, Lumberton $3.80, Salem $2.25, Buffalo $16, Fayetteville $9.20, Big-Rockfish $4, Laurinburg $10.89, Antioch $2.15, Church of the Covenant $3.79.

Total for this object.....$130.46

COLPORTAGE.

Cash on hand $208, Montpelier $2.31, Buffalo $9, Fayetteville $4.80, Lebanon 50 cents. Antioch $1, Lumber-Bridge $5, Lumberton $1.

Total for this object.....$25.69

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

Cash on hand September 30th, 1878, $88.82; Montpelier $3.12, Fayetteville (balance) $2, Tirza $9, Lumber-Bridge $10, Bethlehem $3, Lebanon $5, Lumberton $10.

Total for this fund.....$130.94

L. W. CURRIE FUND.

Received of late Treasurer $17.50; Lumber-Bridge $1, Galatia $1, St. Andrew's $1, St. Paul's $1, Bethlehem $1, Mark's Creek $1, Mt. Tabor $1, Big-Rockfish $1, Sherwood $1, Mineral Spring $1, Sardis $1, Bluff $1, Centre $1, Mt. Pisgah $1.

Total for this fund.....$31.50

COLORED INSTITUTE, TUSKALOOSA, ALA.

Lumberton $1.60, Bethel 85 cents, Lebanon $1.50, Bethlehem $1, Laurinburgh $2.07.

Total for this object.....$7.02

COLORED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Lebanon $3, Smyrna $2.55, Laurel Hill $5, Big-Rockfish $2.

Total for this work.....$12.55

Total contributed.....$1,025.58

St. Andrews.

they recieved by letter from Concord Presbytery Rev. Geo.

Rev. J. P. McPherson, Treasurer, in account current with Presbytery of Fayetteville from October 1st, 1878, to March 31st, 1879.

	Credit.
SUSTENTATION.	
Checks sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.	$101.09
PUBLICATION.	
Checks sent to Rev. J. K. Hazen	68.26
FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
Checks sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.	177.21
INVALID FUND.	
Checks sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.	75.50
EVANGELISTIC WORK.	
Checks sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.	116.38
EDUCATION.	
Checks sent to G. W. Macrae	130.46
COLPORTAGE.	
Cash on hand	25.69
PRESBYTERIAL FUND.	
Orders of Presbytery paid	102.51
Cash on hand	28.43
L. W. CURRIE FUND.	
Cash on hand	31.50
COLORED INSTITUTE.	
Cash on hand	7.02
COLORED EVANGELISTIC WORK.	
Checks sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.	12.55
Total sent and on hand	$1,025.58

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Treasurer of Presbytery.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
March 31st, 1879.

St. Andrews.

the 2nd Sab. at 12 O'Clock M.

Geo Anderson
Stated Clerk.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1st, 1879.

Names of School.	No. on Rolls.		Average attend'ce		Increase.		Decrease.		No. added to Church		Amount contributed for your own School.	Amount contributed for Missionary Purposes
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
1. Antioch	4	35	3	35			1					$1.20
2. Ashpole	4	60	4	40						5		
3. Bethel	9	55	6	45					9	40	1.50	
4. Bethesda	4	43									12.00	
5. Bethlehem	5	40	4	30			2	10	1	1		
6. Big-Rockfish	6	30	4	20							6.00	
7. Bluff	6	60	6	40				10		13		5.00
8. Buffalo	20	148	16	112	4	54	22	112		8	36.00	28.00
9. Carthage	5	30	4	25						3	9.00	
10. Centre	9	98	7	40								
11. China Grove	4	15										
12. Church of the Covenant	6	20			2	10						
13. Cypress		67										
14. Euphronia	20	114	15	85	9	50			2	24	38.00	
15. Fayetteville	14	92	11	51							29.79	29.26
" Mission	10	78	7	55							40.60	4.00
16. Galatia (no facts)												
17. Iona (no facts)												
18. Laurel Hill	4	25	3	20								
19. Laurinburgh	7	65	2	37					7	12	23.59	
20. Lebanon	3	17	3	12				15			3.00	
21. Lumber-Bridge	2	25	2	15								
22. Lumberton	8	25	5	18								31.66
23. McPherson's	6	30	6	30						10	3.31	
24. Mark's Creek (no School)												
25. Mineral Spring	4	40	3	20						10		
26. Montpelier	2	25							2	17	30.76	5.37
27. Mount Tabor	2	18	2	12				3			10.00	
28. Pee Dee (no school)												
29. Philadelphus	2	15	1	15			1			3	15.00	
30. St. Andrew's	8	60	8	30			1	10	8	20	2.00	
31. St. Paul's	10	84	10	63				6		5	3.00	
32. Salem (no school)												
33. Sardis	3	20									6.75	
34. Sharon	5	35	5	30							2.50	
35. Sherwood	8	60	6	45	2	10					8.00	
36. Smyrna	7	35	4	25	2	10				5		
37. Union	27	192	19	138	15	67				34	16.00	
	234	1756	166	1088	34	201	27	166	29	210	$296.80	$95.49

Remarks.—The schools are generally under the control of Pastors and Sessions, and inspired by their personal presence and efforts. A few Pastors preach statedly to the children. The standards of the Church are used in instruction, and in addition the International Lesson Papers, as prepared by our Committee; and in a few instances Jacobus, Smith and other question books are used. The "Children's Friend" and "Earnest Worker" are taken more generally than heretofore. Some Churches conduct Mission Schools with encouraging success. Thirty-seven of forty-nine Churches make report—a larger number by eight than ever before. The increase in additions is specially gratifying, and the whole outlook is decidedly encouraging, and greater interest is taken in this cause than has been hitherto done.

(Signed) J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, N. C.,
April 26th, 1879.

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville Reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 19 Ministers, and has under its care 49 Churches and 2 Candidates, viz:

MINISTERS, ETC.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	Elders.	Deacons.	Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Number Baptized Non-Cgn.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries Paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, N. C.	Antioch, P.	6	5	1	1	138	...	3	95	35	1	3	1	21	2	3	15	94	...	3
" " "	"	Philadelphus, P.	6	4	4	...	89	1	7	48	15	1	2	1	3	2	1	5	60	...	2
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville, N. C.	Galatia, S. S.	5	4	1	...	105	1	6	...	55	3	1	5	3	3	1	15	200	7	1
" " "	" "	Lumber Bridge, S. S.	4	3	...	...	78	...	1	20	25	5	3	2	4	3	5	10	146	...	8
" " "	" "	Salem, S. S.	2	3	2	...	28	...	4	...	14	...	...	...	...	3	4	...	...	...	...
Neill McKay, D. D., S. S.	Summerville, "	Flat Branch, S. S.	4	2	4	1	58	4	14	...	...	1	3	10	10	3	1	3	...	10	...
Andrew McMillan, Teacher	Brightsville, S. C.		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
C. M. Shepperson, D. D.	Woodville, Miss.		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	7	10	7	6	...	225	...	28
D. D. McIlryde, P.	Little River Ac'y, N. C	Bluff, P.	5	6	36	...	198	15	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" " S. S.	" " " "	Sardis, S. S.	3	3	...	...	47	...	2	15	39	5	2	3	5	6	5	...	233	...	...
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage, N. C.	Carthage, P.	7	6	5	...	142	1	1	30	30	4	1	2	5	4	4	15	160	12	...
" " "	" "	Union, P.	10	7	67	2	300	10	7	...	50	1	2	1	39	2	2	24	150	...	...
" " S. S.	" "	Bethesda, S. S.	4	3	7	3	104	1	2	36	43	4	5	5	43	8	3	12	192	101	12
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Stat'n, N. C.	St. Andrew's, S. S.	7	6	41	3	147	29	15	74	38	3	6	5	4	5	...	6	184	57	...
" " "	" " "	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	4	2	23	...	60	10	5	12	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	1	1
" " "	" " "	Barbacue, S. S.	3	4	58	1	134	21	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	292	100	1
N. T. Bowden, Teacher	Morven, "	St. Paul's, P.	7	5	8	2	145	6	4	...	100	3	3	10	44	10	5	18	425	7	20
Joseph Evans, P.	St. Paul's, "	Big Rockfish, P.	5	6	1	1	129	...	1	...	30	5	3	12	7	4	1	10	235	30	8
" " "	" " "	Sherwood, S. S.	2	...	...	...	52	...	10	...	60	1	1	5	3	2	2	8	250	30	30
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John H. Coble, S. S.	Laurinburgh, "	Laurinburgh, S. S.	7	5	3	4	97	...	7	64	80	6	9	15	21	11	2	10	600	150	50
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H. G. Hill, P.	Fayetteville, "	Fayetteville, P.	6	7	1	9	192	...	12	150	182	9	17	8	94	9	9	82	1188	450	24
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David Fairley, P.	Manchester, "	China Grove, P.	1	...	...	...	28	...	1	5	...	3	4	6	5	...	6	...	100	...	...
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K. M. McIntyre, P.	Butler's Ford, "	Mineral Spring, P.	6	4	18	2	145	2	5	20	...	1	2	1	2	3	2	...	116	...	...
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G. M. Gibbs, S. S.	Cameron, "	McPherson, S. S.	3	4	21	...	96	10	5	36	30	4	2	8	6	14	2	10	250	6	4
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Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized	Number Baptized Non-Cgn.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries Paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
138	.....	3	95	35	1	3	1	21	2	3	15	94	.....	3
89	1	7	48	15	1	2	1	3	2	1	5	69	.....	2
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JAMES P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

the Month,) at 12. O'Clock M.

Closed with singing, prayer, and Apostolic Benediction

J. P. Mc Pherson Stated Clerk.

One Hundred and Thirty-Third Sessions.
Sharon Church, Montgomery County, N.C.,
October 8th 1879.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Joseph Evans, the retiring Moderator from Isaiah 64: 6. "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away."

Opening Sermon

After sermon, the Moderator called the Presbytery to order, and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Constituted

Present Ministers.

Ministers Present – J. P. McPhason, N. McLean, Joseph Evans, N. T. Bowden, A. McLeod, David Fairley, K. M. McIntyre, Wm. S. Lacy and D. A. McRae.

Churches represented.

Churches Represented – Ashpole, A. S. Boice; Bethel, David McDeatmed; Buffalo, G. B. Cole; Centre, B. F. Smith; Harmony, Alexander McLeod; Hill's McPherson's, Dr. A. McDougald; Mineral Spring, Daniel McKenzie; Montpelier, D. P. McEachern; Pee Dee, Dr. D. N. Patterson; Philadelphus, D. McCallum; Salem, Malcom Dalrymple; Sandy Grove, J. A. Gillis; Sharon, J. T. McKinnon; and Shoe Heel, R. McCaskill.

Absent Ministers.

Ministers Absent; H. McLean, N. McKay D.D., A. McMillan, D. D. McBryde, C. M. Shepperson D.D. James McLaren, John H. Cobb, H. G. Hall and A. N. Ferguson.

Churches not represented.

Churches not represented – Antioch, Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Bur-Salem, Bluff, Big-Rockfish, Carthage, China Grove, Cypress, Church of the Covenant, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Iona, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Long-Street, Lumber Bridge, Lumberton, Macedonia, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, Sardis, Smyrna, St. Paul's, Tirza, Union and Laurinburgh.

Moderator & Clerks.

Rev. William S. Lacy was chosen Moderator and Rev. N. T. Bowden and Mr. G. P. Cole, temporary Clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess for one hour.

Rev. R. Martin.

After recess Presbytery met. Rev. Roger Martin of the Presbytery of Orange, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Cobb & Ferguson, to Presbytery.

Rev. John H. Cobb and Rev. A. N. Ferguson appeared to Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Cameron Church Organized.

The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Cameron, submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows; viz:

The Committee appointed to organize a Church at Cameron, would report that they found the way clear, and, on the 16th day of May 1879, organized the Church with two Ruling Elders and one Deacon, and assessed Twenty-five Members to be called Cameron; and $3.00, that it be assessed for the Presbyterial Fund $3.00.

D. Fairley Chairman.

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Mr Daniel McIntyre, Ruling Elder of said Church, being present, was duly enrolled.

The Stated Clerk presented and read a letter from

Rev. Dr. Shepperson dismissed. Rev. C. M. Shepperson D.D. assigning reasons for absence from our present sessions, which were satisfactory; and also requesting a letter of dismission to join the Presbytery of Louisiana, which, on motion, was granted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish said Rev. C. M. Shepperson D.D. with the usual testimonials.

J. McIntyre. Mr. John McIntyre, Ruling Elder of Lawrinberg Church, appeared in Presbytery and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Harmony Church v. Rev. S. C. A. A communication from Harmony Church, requesting permission to secure the ministerial services of Rev. S. C. Alexander, was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Committees Announced. The following Committees were announced by the Moderator;

Devotional Exercises - Rev. R. M. McIntyre, J. T. McKinnon and David McKenzie.

Finance: D. P. McEachan and R. McCastill.

Narative to Synod; Rev. Messrs J. H. Cobb, M. McLean and P. P. Smith.

Systematic Beneficence: Rev. Messrs Daniel A. McRae, A. A. Ferguson and Daniel McIntyre.

Calls and Supplies: Rev. Joseph Evans, Rev. G. M. Gibbs and Dr. D. A. Patterson.

Minutes of General Assembly: Rev. Messrs G. M. Gibbs, David Fairly and A. S. Beck.

United Call from C. & S. H. A united call from Centre and Shoe Heel Churches for the Pastoral services of Rev. Roger Martin was presented, read and referred to the Committee

on Calls and Supplies.

J. H. Cobb - Lawrinburgh. A similar call from Lawrinburgh Church for the pastoral services of Rev. John H. Cobb for one half of his time was also read and referred to the same Committee.

Report D.C. The Report of the Trustees of Davidson College was presented, read and ordered to be placed on file.

Excuses received. The following brethren, viz; N. J. Bowden, A. McLean, and A. A. Ferguson, rendered satisfactory excuses for absence from the last, and N. J. Bowden for previous sessions.

Rev. A. McLean. Rev. A. McLean, by letter, rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our present sessions.

Churches excused. The following Churches, viz; Sardis - Bridge, Galatia, Lebanon, Mark's Creek, Montpelier, Mt. Tabor, Smyrna, and Sharon, reported that they had appointed delegates to the last meeting of Presbytery.

Orders of the day. The following orders of the day were fixed, viz; Free Conversation on the State of Religion, at 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow. Publication, the first order of the day for Friday morning. Report on Foreign Missions at 11 o'clock A.M. Saturday; and report on Education first order of the day Friday afternoon.

Treas. Rept. The Treasurer of Presbytery made his report, and, on motion, it was placed in the hands of the Committee of Finance.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported in part. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock, A.M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, October 9th 1879.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. R. Martin received. Rev. Roger Martin presented a letter of dismission from the Presbytery of Orange, which was read, and after the usual examination, he was received as a member of this Presbytery, and his name was duly enrolled.

Mr. Black. Mr. Hugh Black, Ruling Elder of Carthage Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness

Free Conversation. The first order of the day, viz: Free Conversation on the state of Religion, was taken up, when reports from the Churches were heard.

Members appear. Pending these reports the following Ruling Elders appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: A. G. Heckerton of St. Andrew's Church; J. M. N. Clark of Mt. Carmel Church, and Rev. H. G. Heill.

H. G. Heill.

Presbytery recessed from business for one hour.

Concluded. After recess Presbytery met and concluded the reports on the state of Religion.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported in part.

A Call - Mt. Carmel. A Call from Mt. Carmel Church for the pastoral services of Rev. S. C. Alexander was read and ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Calls from Centre and Shore Head to Rev. R. Martin. The Committee on Calls and Supplies reported as follows, in part: The Committee on Calls and supplies beg leave to report as follows: That calls from Centre and Shore Head (Duchie) Churches have been examined and found to be virtually in order, and recommend that they be placed in the hands of Brother Martin: That the installation of Brother Martin take place at Centre Church on the third Sabbath of November, services to begin at 11 o'clock A. M.; Rev. John H. Coble to preach, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; Rev. H. G. Heill to give the Charge to the people, and Rev. W. S. Lacy to give the Charge to the Pastor. And that Rev. A. N. Ferguson be the alternate to any of the above, should they be unable to fulfill their engagements.

And at Shore Head (Duchie) on the same day at 7½ P. M. Rev. H. G. Heill to preach, preside and propose the constitutional questions; Rev. John H. Coble to give the charge to the Pastor, and Rev. W. S. Lacy to give the charge to the people.

Calls from Lacrisburgh to Rev. J. H. Coble. The Committee also report that the call from Lacrisburgh Church to Rev. John H. Coble to be their Pastor, having been examined is found to be regular and in order, and recommend that it be placed in Brother Coble's hands. That the Installation of Brother Coble take place on the 4th Sabbath in November; Rev. W. S. Lacy to preach, preside and propose the Constitutional questions; that Rev. R. Martin

to give the Charge to the Pastor, and Rev. A. S. Ferguson to give the Charge to the people.

Ashfield Ch. Rev. H. M. Brearley. On motion, the Records of last session were corrected so as to strike, that a request was made and granted, that Ashfield Church was permitted to employ Rev. H. M. Brearley, of Harmony Presbytery, for one half of his time, on terms mutually satisfactory.

Com. to visit Kearney & Mt. Carmel Ch.; Discharged. The Special Committee appointed last Spring to visit Harmony and Mt. Carmel Churches, to see if any arrangement could be made to unite them with Rockingham Church, made report, That seeing no way to effect the desired object, failed to visit the field, and ask to be discharged. This report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Sustentation. On motion, the Resolution found on page 21 of our printed Minutes, last Spring Sessions, in reference to Sustentation, was considered and discussed, and then postponed until the report of the Committee of Sustentation shall be in their report. Whereupon, on motion, the Report of said Committee was made the second order of the day for to-morrow.

Leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Presbytery was granted to A. S. Buie and R. McCastill. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, October 10th 1879.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Report on Systematic Beneficence. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence submitted their Report, which was accepted, adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod. It is as follows; viz:

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence would present the following report, the statistics covering the year closing April 1st 1879.: Total of our 50 Churches, 40 gave to Sustentation $2.111. an increase over previous year in Contributing Churches, 6, and in Amount Contributed $1.00.: 38 gave to Invalid Fund $180. increase in Contributing, 10. increase in Amount Contributed 75 cts. 36. gave to Evangelistic Cause $158. increase in Contributing Churches, 4. increase in amount Contributed $30. 39 gave to Foreign Missions $768. increase in Contributing Churches 5. decrease in amount Contributed $50. 40. gave to Education $213. increase in Contributing Churches 6. decrease in amount Contributed $6. 39. gave to Publication $158. increase in Contributing Churches, 10. increase in Amount Contributed $33. 25 gave to miscellaneous objects $515. increase in Contributing Churches 5. increase in amount Contributed $242. Total contributed to benevolent Causes $2.233. Total increase $325. Of our 50 Churches 35 gave to six objects of the Assembly; 5 gave to 5 of them; 2 gave to two of them; one gave to three of them; and

Concluded. & report no benevolent contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. McRae Chairman.

P.S. Shoe Heel and Cameron have been recently organized.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to P. P. Smith, Rev. D. A. McRae, John McIntyre, Rev. D. Fairley, John A. Gillis, Dr. A. McDougald, D. A. McDiarmid, D. McIntyre, and Rev. Joseph Evans.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies beg leave to report as follows: That the Call from Mt. Carmel Church to Rev. S. C. Alexander has been examined and found regular and in due form; and that a request to employ Rev. S. C. Alexander to preach to them as a supply for the year 1880, from Harmony Church; under the peculiar circumstances of our Presbytery, they beg leave to recommend as follows: that these Churches be allowed to employ Rev. S. C. Alexander from the present time until the next meeting of Presbytery; and that a Committee consisting of Rev. H. M. McIntyre and Rev. A. N. Ferguson, with a Ruling Elder selected by them, visit these Churches and also Rockingham and Marks Creek Churches, and ascertain if the way be clear, for these four Churches to form a permanent connection. Respectfully submitted.

Concluded. This report was accepted and adopted.

On motion, the place and time of next

Place & time of next meeting. meeting of Presbytery was taken up, when Laurel Hill Church, Richmond County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1880 (21st day) at 11, o'clock A. M. was fixed as the time.

Report on Publications. The Agent of Publications presented his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:—

The Agent of Publications would report; That $38.25. have been contributed since April last. This is but a meager amount, when we take into consideration the importance and necessities of this branch of the Church's work. Funds are greatly needed to put the whole business on a successful footing.

It is gratifying though to state, that through the economical and efficient management of the General Committee, there is a very decided decrease of its indebtedness. It is estimated that even the Earnest Worker and Children's Friend, are generally taken among our Churches and Sabbath schools, that the profits would soon cover the cost of the administration of the whole work.

In view of these facts, Resolved, That our Churches be instructed not only to contribute generously to this cause; but that vigorous efforts be made to increase the circulation of the Earnest Worker and the Children's Friend.

As to the Colporteur fund there is, after paying Mr. McLean's salary, a credit of $44.57.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

D. Fairley. Agent.

Colportage. He also presented the report of our Colporteur, Mr. L. A. McLean, which was accepted, and ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Sustentation. The Committee of Sustentation presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, section and then as a whole, and is as follows:

The Sustentation Committee would report to Presbytery, for the six months ending October 1st 1879, as follows:

1st. As to Contributions for Sustentation.

Your Treasurer mentions Ten Churches as contributing to this object in six months past, $28.88. Last year in this period 13 Churches gave $42.66. Since last Spring's report of the $100. appropriation, asked to aid Rockingham Church in having half the time, the first installment of $50. has been paid Rev. J. J. Allison, and this brother having left the field, the last installment will not be required. Of the $75. appropriation asked to aid Cypress Church and Camden Station, in having the services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs, one half the time, the first installment of $37.50. has been paid, and the remainder we presume will be paid this fall. Of the $25. appropriation asked to aid Harmony Church in having preaching half the time, the first installment of $12.50. is in the hands of your Committee and has not been paid, because this Church has had no supply by authority of the Presbytery

Sustentation during the current year.

2nd. As to Contributions to Evangelistic Fund.

Your Treasurer reports 5 Churches as contributing to this object in six months $21.94. As the month appointed by the Assembly for collections for this fund has recently closed, no doubt many of our Churches have taken up collections for Evangelistic work, that have not been forwarded to our Treasurer.

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Last year, during the same period, 18 Churches gave $61.69. In the past 6 months there are no contributions reported to the Colored Evangelistic Fund.

The first installment of the $25. asked from the Assembly's Colored Evangelistic Fund, to aid Mt. Theatre Church in employing Rev. D. A. McRae, has been paid and the remainder will doubtless be paid this fall.

3rd. As to Contributions to Invalid Fund.

According to Treasurer's report, in six months 19 Churches have contributed to this object, $87.69. As this collection was made in July, some of our Churches have no doubt failed, as yet, to pay over their contributions for this object to our Treasurer. Last year, during the same time, 23 Churches gave to this object $75.10. For the current year ending July 1st your Committee has asked the following appropriations:

For Mrs John M. Sherrod --- $80.00
" Mrs James H. McNeill " 40.00
Whole amount asked -- $120.00

4th. Supplies for vacant Churches:—

Continued Lizzie Church – Rev. N. McKay D.D. 1. Sol. and Sacramental.
Mark's Creek, A. N. Ferguson 1. " " " "
Mt. Carmel, N. J. Bowden 1. " " " "
Harmony, Arch° McQueen 1. " " " "
Lumberton, J. H. Cobb – 1. " " " "
Rockingham, Roger Martin 1 " " " "
Long-Street, D. Fairley 1. " " " "

5th – Recommendations as to certain Churches:

Mark's C. 1st – That Rev. A. N. Ferguson be instructed to act as Stated Supply for Mark's Creek Church for a monthly service during the week until the Spring meeting of Presbytery, and that this Church be directed to make him a fair compensation for such service, and report the amount to the next meeting of Presbytery.

Long Street. 2nd That Rev. David Fairley be directed to act as Stated Supply for Long-Street Church for a monthly service during the week until Spring meeting of Presbytery, and that this Church be instructed to make him a fair compensation for such service, and report the amount to the next meeting of Presbytery.

Lumberton & Iona. 3rd That a Committee, consisting of Rev. A. N. Ferguson and Rev. A. McQueen, and Elder Roderick McCaskill, be appointed to visit Lumberton and Iona Churches to see if these Churches can be united in a pastoral charge and report to the next meeting of Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted H. G. Keith. Chairman.

Sustentation Charge & Home Missions. The paper on Sustentation found on page 21. of our last print collections was taken up, when the following paper was adopted viz: Resolved, 1st That the Committee hitherto called Sustentation, be hereafter called Committee of Home Missions.

2nd. That in conducting its own Sustentation and Evangelistic work, through this Committee, the Presbytery directs its Churches to contribute to these objects at the times appointed by the Assembly; that the Treasurer forward as heretofore, 15 per cent. of these contributions to the Assembly's Treasurer, and retain the remainder of these contributions subject to the order of the Chairman of Home Missions

3rd. That the Home Missionary Committee present By-laws for regulating its proceedings for the approval of Presbytery at the Spring meeting.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, when the Committee on Finance submitted their report, recommending the approval of the Treasurer's Report, which was adopted and they were directed to pay over funds in their hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery. (See Appendix.)

Treasurer's report approved

Leave of Absence. Leave of absence was granted to D. P. McEachern, D. McCallum, J. M. A. Clark, G. B. Cole, Malcom Dalrymple, and J. G. Hunter.

Education Report. Rev. John H. Cobb, Chairman of the Committee on Education, presented his report which was accepted and adopted and is as follows:

The Committee on Education submit the following

Education continued.

Report: The two candidates under the care of Presbytery, Frank P. Harrell and Lauchlin A. McLean, are now in the third year of their course in Union Theological Seminary, Va. An application has been made to the Assembly's Committee for the usual appropriation to aid in their support.

Your Committee call the attention of Presbytery to the following action of the General Assembly, viz: That it is earnestly pressed upon the Presbyteries to see to it, that an opportunity be afforded to every congregation within our bounds of contributing to this cause.

That the Presbyteries exercise due diligence in assisting to collect back funds appropriated on their recommendation to candidates who have abandoned preparation for the Ministry, except it be on account of unavoidable Providences. That it be earnestly recommended, that all the Presbyteries furnish the Secretary, in time to incorporate them within his annual report, full statements of all amounts contributed to aid candidates preparing for the Ministry, so that the reports of the General Assembly may show precisely what is being done by the Churches for this cause. That the observance of the usual Concert of prayer, the last Thursday of February, be recommended to all the Churches. Respectfully submitted.

John H. Cobb Chairman.

John Allen McDonald, Ruling Elder of Mt. Beck Church, appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Roll called.

On motion, the roll of the Churches was called, that they might show cause why collections had not been taken up for all the objects of the General Assembly.

Dr. D. N. Patterson.

On motion, Dr D. N. Patterson was appointed temporary Clerk in place of Mr. G. B. Cole, who had obtained leave of absence.

Delinquent Churches.

Resolved, That hereafter it shall be the duty of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence, at each Spring meeting of Presbytery, to present a tabulated statement of delinquent Churches, and the Moderator shall call upon them for the reason of their delinquency.

On motion, Rev. Roger Martin was added to the Committee of visitation in Class, No. 5.

Churches visited.

The Committee of Visitation reported as follows: 1st District, Union visited. 2nd District no Church visited. 3rd District Mandy Grove, Fayetteville, Bethlehem and Galatia visited. 4th District, Harmony visited. 5th District, none visited. 6. District Philadelphus visited; but no quorum.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Saturday morning, October 11th 1879.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and

was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, Corrected and approved.

Report on Minutes of Gen. Assembly.

The Committee on the Minutes of General Assembly submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly Report: They Call attention of Presbytery to the following items in said Minutes:

1st. On pages 37, and 38 on Education, Resolutions 4, 5, 7 & 8.
2nd. On page 46. Report of Committee on Sabbath, Resolutions 3rd and 4th.
3rd. Page 48. On Publications - Resolutions 4 and 5.
4th " Page 50. Sustentation - Resolutions 4 and 5.
5th " Page 52. Colored Ministers - Resolution 8.
6th " Page 54. Foreign Missions - Resolution 4.
7th " Page 59. Sabbath Schools - Resolutions 1, 2 & 3.
8th " Page 60. Commissioners to Assembly.

The Committee propose the following resolution on the Sabbath: Resolved, That in accordance with the recommendation of the Assembly, Presbytery appoint a Committee, whose object it shall be to secure the proper agitation of this question in our bounds, and as far as possible to Co-operate with the Assembly's Committee in the way of furnishing them with facts, statistics, or such other aid as may be desirable.

Committee appointed.

The following brethren were appointed as said Committee Rev. Messrs R. Martin and J. H. Cobb, and Elder D. S. Morrison.

Leave of absence was granted to Alexander McCastill.

Nominations.

The Committee on Nominations submitted this report, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Committee on Nominations beg leave to nominate the same Standing Committees of Presbytery for re-election, with the following exceptions: On Natural Science, we add the name of Rev. R. Martin: On Ecclesiastical History, we add the name of Rev. G. M. Gibbs. On Trustees of Davidson College, we recommend the name of Rev. A. A. Gorgeson, whose term expires at this meeting.

Committee of Visitation: We recommend the following Changes; That the new Church of Shoe Heel be added to group No. 5, and Rev. R. Martin be added to this Committee. We recommend that the new Church of Cornelson be added to group No 1, and that the name of Rev. G. M. Gibbs be added to said Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

Narration to Synod.

The Committee on the Narration to Synod reported as follows, which was adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to said body, viz:

The Committee on the Narration to Synod submit the following Report: Of the fifty Churches under our Care, forty reported to this meeting of Presbytery.

From these Reports we gather the following facts, viz: All but two report additions varying from three or four upwards, some Churches having received as many as fifteen, twenty, twenty one and thirty three respectively, and to one Church sixty were added.

These accessions indicate the gracious presence of

Narrative the Holy Spirit in the Churches, and while the numbers brought in, are small compared with those who still remain without, the Presbytery feels that there is much to be thankful for, and much to encourage to greater earnestness and diligence in prosecuting the work given us to do.

The reports indicate gratifying results in experience to the Sabbath-School work. There are Sabbath-schools in almost all our Churches. In a goodly number of these there are several of such schools in different parts of the Congregation, so that for the most part, the most of the Children and youths of our Church are within reach of Sabbath Schools.

As to sabbath observance, it appears from these reports, that our people reverence the holy Sabbath.

Continued. Almost all our Churches have been supplied with the stated ministrations of the word. The attendance is good and the day is generally spent in religious worship, and in the religious instruction of the young. Regular Collections are taken up in nearly all our Churches for the various objects of Beneficence.

With only one or two exceptions, harmony and peace prevail in our Congregations.

Many of our Churches are in arrears to pastors and Ministers, though the number of delinquent Churches in this respect is not as large as formerly.

In some of our Churches prayer-meetings are maintained, though in too many, there is no prayer-meeting. The same is true of family worship. This duty

is observed in many households; but there is a reason to believe that there are many Christian houses in our bounds where there is no family altar. The sacraments of the Church are very generally observed. The Children in our Congregations are duly baptized and instructed. In view of these facts, while there is much to humble us before God, the outlook is encouraging. Respectfully submitted.

John H. Cobb, Chairman.

Conclude. Presbytery took up the order of the day, viz: Foreign Report on F. Missions. Missions, when the Report was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McQueen, which was adopted, and is as follows:

In reviewing the missionary work of our Church for the year, we find cause for gratitude and encouragement, as well as for regret and confession.

First – It is cause for ~~[illegible]~~ gratitude to God, that He has prolonged the lives of our missionaries and has greatly blessed their labours. They all send back encouraging reports from their fields of labour concerning both schools and Churches.

Second – It is cause for encouragement, that we have been enabled to increase our missionary force from seventy-five to eighty-six persons. For the four years preceding last year, we were enabled to send out a new missionary, but last year six were added to the force already in the foreign field. These new missionaries are not supported from our treasury, already overdrawn, but by the liberality of generous individuals. Provision has been made for the support of three others in a similar way.

Foreign Missions Continued.

"The whole force now engaged in this work and depending upon the funds of the Treasury for their support," says Dr. Wilson, "consists of eighty-six persons, of whom thirty-seven have been sent from this Country, and forty-nine are natives of the Countries where they labour. Of the thirty-seven sent from this Country, fifteen are ordained ministers of the gospel, and twenty-two are assistant missionaries. Of the forty-nine native labourers, eight are ordained missionaries, eight are licentiates, and thirty-three are assistants, variously employed as teachers and Colporteurs."

Discouragements: First: Want of funds. The last annual report to the Assembly stated that the Treasury was over-drawn $7,000. or more, and the contributions for the current year have thus far been so small as to increase, rather than diminish the amount.

Last year thirty-nine of our Churches are reported as having given $348,96. Ladies' Societies $351. 51. Sabbath-Schools $96. 78. For the first six months of the current year, twenty Churches have forwarded $143.20. Ladies' Societies $78.05. Sabbath-Schools $17. 72 Miscellaneous $17.05. Total for six months $356. 22.

This leaves twenty nine of our Churches which have not sent on their contributions to this cause for the year. We hope that when these collections will have been forwarded, they will swell the aggregate beyond the total of last years contribution. Fourteen cents per member is too small an amount for our Presbytery to give to the cause of Foreign Missions

Respectfully submitted,

M. McQueen Legent.

Conclusion.

Pending the adoption of the above report several addresses were made by brethren. The amount collected was $22. 13. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

Recess.

After recess Presbytery met.

Historical Sketches

On motion, it was Resolved, That Historical Sketches of Churches be prepared and read at our next Spring Sessions be given in at the head of our Roll of Churches.

Montgomery Moore Counties

The following paper in relation to certain destitute sections of Montgomery and Moore Counties, was read and adopted:

Whereas, The northern portions of Montgomery and Moore Counties are within the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery; and whereas said portions of said Counties are entirely destitute of Presbyterian preaching; and whereas, Earnest requests have been made to members of this Presbytery for Presbyterian preaching, therefore be it

Resolved, That a Committee of Ministers and Elders be appointed to visit said sections, and suggest ways and means by which our Presbytery can supply the wants of said people, and report at the Spring meeting of Presbytery.

After some discussion, the following Committees were appointed to discharge this duty, viz:

1st That Rev. K. M. McKinnon and Rev. N. T. Bowden were appointed to visit Montgomery County, and

2nd That Rev. M. McQueen and Rev. Wm. S. Lacy visit Moore County, and that each Committee spend at least one week in this work, and report next Spring.

Concluded

The following paper was adopted, viz:

Letters of dismission

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Presbytery that a member of the Church in good and regular standing, applying for a letter of dismission, must specify the particular Church which he proposes to join.

Historical Sketches to be prepared.

Resolved, That the order to prepare historical sketches of our Churches be re-enjoined upon all our Ministers and Sessions; and that they be prepared as speedily as practicable, and copies thereof be forwarded to Rev J. Rumple, Salisbury, N.C., and that two of these sketches, beginning with the Roll, be read at the next meeting of the Presbytery.

Vote of thanks.

The following vote of thanks was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville tenders its cordial thanks to the Sharon Congregation, and the friends in the vicinity, for the kind and generous hospitality accorded its members, at this Fall meeting, and to the Rail Road Companies that have granted reduced fares to those attending its sessions.

Statistical Report.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville wards respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, That they consist of 49 Ministers and have under their care 58 Churches and two Candidates for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 26th day of April 1879, they received by letter from the Presbytery of Concord, Rev. George M. Gibbs; that on the 16th day of May 1879, they organized a Presbyterian Church at Carnelton, Moore County, N.C.;

that on the 8th day of October 1879 they dismissed, at his own request, Rev. C. M. Shepperson, D.D. to join the Presbytery of Louisiana; that on the same day they received by letter from the Presbytery of Orange, Rev. Roger Martin, and that the next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Concord Hill Church, Richmond County, N.C. Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1880, at 11 o'Clock A.M. Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk

Report adopted.

This report was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

Printing to be paid for.

The account of Jackson and Bell for printing our last Minutes was ordered to be paid.

300 Copies to be printed.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have printed 300 copies of our present Minutes for distribution among our Ministers and Churches.

Presbyterial Fund

On motion, the Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to report at each Spring meeting the amount due from the Churches to the Presbyterial Fund, and also the claims against said Fund.

Moderator nominated

On motion, Rev. N. T. Bowden was nominated as Moderator at our Spring sessions

On motion, Presbytery adjourned, after the Minutes were read and approved, to meet at Statesville N.C. during the Sessions of Synod, at the call of the Moderator. Closed with singing, prayer, and the Apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson.
Stated Clerk.

Adjourned meeting.

Statesville, N.C. October 24th 1879.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met at the call of the Moderator and was constituted with prayer.

Present - Ministers - J. P. McPherson, G. M. Gibbs, D. D. McBryde, James McQueen, K. McQueen, H. G. Hill and Wm S. Lacy.

Ruling Elder - J. E. Elliot, Sardis Church.

On motion, it was ordered, that all the funds for Sustentation and Evangelistic Work reported at our late stated meeting at Sharon Church, and also all funds paid to him for these objects during said meeting, be forwarded to Rev. R. M. Ukraine, D.D. Treasurer of Assembly's Committee; and that all funds collected for these objects, Sustentation and Evangelistic Work, since that time, only fifteen per cent. be forwarded to Dr. McUkraine, and the balance be held subject to the order of the Chairman of "Domestic Missions", Rev. H. G. Hill.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Laurel Hill Church, Richmond County, N.C. Wednesday before the fourth Sabbath in April, 1880 (28th) at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk

One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Sessions

APPENDIX.

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Treasurer's Report, October 1st, 1879. *Debit.*

SUSTENTATION.

Montpelier Church $1.73, Buffalo $8, Long-Street $3.45, Pee Dee $2, St. Paul's $3, Flat Branch $1.45, Tirza $2, Barbacue 50 cents, Sardis $5, Sandy Grove $1.75.
Total..... $28.88

PUBLICATION.

Montpelier $3.19, Buffalo $7, Long-Street $2.60, Philadelphus 50 cents, Pee Dee $2, Bluff $6.50, St. Paul's $5, Flat Branch $1.53, Tirza $1.03, Barbacue 50 cents, Sardis $6.90, Sandy Grove $1.45.
Total..... $38.20

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Montpelier $1.24, Long-Street $10.42, Flat Branch $10, Barbacue 50 cents, Sardis $5, Sandy Grove $5.98, Presbyterial collection $16.05, Lumber Bridge $8.50, Bethlehem $1, St. Andrew's $2, Salem $3.54, Bethel $11, Galatia, $4, Bluff $15, Lebanon $3, Little Children at Cameron $1.50 Bethesda $15.47, Laurel Hill $15.85, Smyrna $13.60, Mark's Creek $1.85, Buffalo $11.75, St. Paul's $5.
Total..... $162.25

INVALID FUND.

Montpelier 43 cents, Long-Street $4.78, St. Paul's $2.31, Flat Branch $5, Sardis $2.50, Sandy Grove $2, Pee Dee $10, Galatia $2.25, Lumber-Bridge $4, Salem $1.75, Lebanon $1, St. Andrew's $3.75, Bethlehem $1, Antioch $3.50 Mineral Spring, $2.34, Laurel Hill $15, Smyrna $5.70, St. Paul's $12, Bluff $10.38.
Total..... $89.69

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Cypress $3.44, Lumber-Bridge $5, Bluff $5, St. Andrew's $5, Salem $3.50.
Total..... $21.94

EDUCATION.

Montpelier $4.59, Long-Street $3.78, Flat Branch, $3.52, Barbacue 50 cents, Sandy Grove $6.00, Mineral Spring $3.54, St. Paul's $8.
Total $30.53

Adjourned meeting.

COLPORTAGE.

Cash on hand $25.69, Philadelphus 50 cents, St. Paul's $8.50, Lumberton $1, Collected by Finance Committee $9, Cypress $1.43, Long-Street $1.62, St. Andrew's $2, McPherson's $2.44, Laurel Hill, $3.50, Smyrna $1.55, Galatia $1.50, Bethlehem $1, St. Paul's $8, Lebanon 60 cents, Salem $1.60.

Total.....$69.93

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

Cash on hand $28.43, Fayettevillle $32, Pee Dee $10, Galatia $15, St. Paul's $12, Iona $10, Buffalo $30, Euphronia $12, Cypress $4.85, Flat Branch $3, Tirza $1.60, Laurel Hill $10 Smyrna $16, Mark's Creek $2, Antioch $15, Philadelphus $5.39 Centre $20, Shoe Heel $10, Barbacue $2.92, St. Andrew's $6, Bethlehem $1.28, Bethesda, $12, Ben-Salem $8, Carthage $15, Union $24, Sherwood $8, Mt. Tabor $5, Big Rockfish $10, St. Paul's $6, Laurinburgh, $10, Mt. Pisgah, $1.66, Ashpole $5.37, Sharon $6, Bluff $12.08. Sardis $4.29, Laurel Hill, $10.

Total.....$384.87

L. W. CURRIE FUND.

Received of G. W. McNeill, former Treasurer, $17.50, Lumber Bridge $1, Galatia $1, St. Andrews' $1, St. Paul's $1, Bethlehem $1, Mark's Creek $1, Mt. Tabor $1, Big Rockfish $1, Sherwood $1, Mineral Spring $1, Sardis $1, Bluff $1, Centre $1, Mt. Pisgah $1, Barbacue $1.

Total.....$32.50

COLORED INSTITUTE, TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

Cash on hand as per last report $7.02, Long-Street $2.25, St. Paul's $1, Lumberton $2.50.

Total.....$12.77

COLORED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

No collections since April 1st, 1879.

MIZPAH CHURCH FUND.

Cash on hand $100.

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SUSTENTATION.

Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.....$28.88

PUBLICATION.

Check sent Rev. J. K. Hazen.....$38 20

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.....$94.23
Cash on hand..... 68.02—$162.25

One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Sessions

INVALID FUND.

Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.....$27.02
Cash on hand..... 62.67— $89.69

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Cash on hand.....$21.94

EDUCATION.

Cash on hand..... $30.53

COLPORTAGE.

Check given to L. A. McLean, Colporteur.....$44.69
Paid to him afterwards..... 4.06
Cash on hand..... 21.18—$69.93

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

Payment of various orders.....$335.96
Cash on hand..... 48.91—$384.87

L. W. CURRIE FUND.

Check to E. T. McKethan.....$ 25.00
Cash on hand..... 7.50—$ 32.50

COLORED INSTITUTE.

Check sent to Rev. C. A. Stillman.....$12.77

MIZPAH CHURCH FUND.

Cash on hand as per last report.....$100.00

This report further states, that there is in my hands $61.51 contributed by Centre Church to be divided as said Church may direct. Said amount was placed in my hands April 24th, 1879.

J. P. McPHERSON,
Treasurer of Presbytery.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.,
Sept. 30th, 1879.

Adjourned meeting.

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One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Sessions
of the Presbytery of Fayetteville.

Laurel Hill Church, Richmond County, N.C.
April 21st 1880.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev William S. Lacy from Psalm 19: 10.

Text. "More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb."

After sermon, the Moderator called the Presbytery to order, and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Ministers present. Ministers Present – J. P. McPherson, Neill McLeay D.D. A. McMillan, D. D. McBryde, Archibald McQueen, Joseph Evans, James McQueen, N. J. Brown, Archibald McLean, John H. Coble, Roger Martin, H. G. Hill, A. K. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre, William S. Lacy and Daniel A. McRae.

Churches represented. Churches represented – Bethel, Neill McFadyen; Bethesda, Malcom McNeill; Bon-Salem, A. McDonald; Carthage, W. J. Stuart; Centre, Gilbert Patterson; Cumnock, Daniel McIntyre; Euphronia, D. A. McDonald; Laurel Hill, D. C. Stewart; Laurinburgh, M. Calhoun; Lebanon, A. S. Baker; Lumberton, J. A. McAllister; Mark's Creek, Daniel Currie; Mon Tabor, B. L. McLauchlin; Philadelphus, A. D. Brown; Shoe Heel, R. McCaskill; Sandy Grove, Peter Monroe; Shiloh, N. D. McNeill; Smyrna, Peter McRae;

St. Andrew's, John McDougald; Sherrard, Duncan Davis and Union, J. C. Ferguson.

Ministers absent. Ministers absent – H. McLean, G. M. Gibbs, and David Fairley.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented – Antioch, Barbour, Bethburn, Big Rockfish, Buffalo, China Grove, Cypress, Church of the Covenant, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Harmony, Iona, McPheeters, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis and Tirza.

Mod. & Clerks. Rev. N. T. Boorden was elected Moderator and Messrs W. J. Stewart and David McIntyre temporary Clerks.

Presbytery recided from business one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

Rev. E. McAuley D.D. invited. On motion, Rev. Evander McAuley D.D. of the Presbytery of Ouachita, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding Member, and was formally presented by the Moderator and received standing.

The reading of the Minutes of our last sessions was, on motion, dispensed with.

On motion, the Minutes of the last sessions were corrected in reference to the call from Laurinburg Church, it being for one half, instead of two-thirds of the Minister's time.

Blank forms. The State Clerk distributed blank forms for certificates of dismission to Church members.

Coloured Churches. A communication from McPhatter and Mountain Grove Churches (Coloured) was read,

and referred, on motion, to a special Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs H. G. Hill, Dr. A. McKay and D. A. McRae, with Ruling Elder J. A. McAllister.

Com. on Devotional Exercises. The Moderator announced the following Committee on Devotional Exercises, viz: Rev. A. A. Ferguson, Rev. J. H. Cobb and D. C. Stewart.

Montgomery & Moore Counties. The Committees appointed last Fall to visit certain portions of Montgomery and Moore Counties made verbal reports, when it appeared that this was ready and promising Missionary ground. Whereupon said Committees were continued.

Harmony Church. Daniel Henderson, Ruling Elder from Harmony Church, appeared in Presbytery and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Order of the day. On motion, hearing the statistical reports from Churches was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Absent Ministers. Rev. N. McKay D.D. Rev. D. D. McBryde and Rev. James McLean rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from our last sessions.

Churches. The following Churches rendered satisfactory reasons for not attending our last meeting, viz: Fayetteville, Euphronia, Big Rockfish, Bethesda, Laurel Hill, Lebanon, Lumberton, Lumber River, Macedonia, Mt. Zion, Sardis, Smyrna, St. Paul's, Tirza and Union.

On motion, the rule requiring the calling of the roll of Churches not represented was rescinded.

Orders of the day. On motion, the report of the Committee on Home Missions was made the first order of the day

for Friday morning; that of Education the first order of the day for Friday afternoon, and observance of the Sabbath the second order of the day.

Martin Installed — The Commission to install Rev. Roger Martin Pastor of Centre and Shoe Heel Churches, reported that they discharged that duty November 16th 1879.

Cobb installed. — A similar Commission to install Rev. John H. Cobb Pastor of Laurinburgh Church, reported they discharged that duty November 23rd 1879.

Churches visited — The following Visiting Committees reported:
1st District — Euphronia, Buffalo and Union visited.
2nd " " Salem, Tiza, China Grove, Flat Branch, and Church of the Covenant visited.
3rd " " Sardis, Bluff, Sandy Grove, Galatia, Fayetteville, Big Rockfish and Sharon visited.
4th " One Church visited.
5th " Antioch and Montpelier visited.
6th " None visited.

Finance Committee — The Moderator announced Peter McRae and J. A. McAllister as Finance Committee.

Adjourned. — On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

April 22nd 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Rev. H. McL. — Rev. H. McLean appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from our last meeting, and also for tardiness at this.

Rev. G. M. G. — Rev. G. M. Gibbs rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

R. Elders appear. — The following Ruling Elders appeared and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, viz: W. J. Smith, Bluff; J. M. T. Clark, Mt. Carmel; Archibald Mallory, Mt. Pisgah; D. A. Mallory, Lumber-Bridge, and J. D. McNeill, Galatia.

Committees Announced. — The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Narrative to General Assembly — D. D. McBryde, K. M. McIntyre and Malcom McNeill.

Systematic Beneficence — Joseph Evans, James McQueen and Neill McFadyen.

Calls and Supplies — Martin McQueen, A. M. Ferguson and A. M. McDonald.

Reciprocal Duties — Wm. S. Lacy, Arch. McQueen and Gilbert Pattison.

Sessional Records — 1st Antioch, Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Bethesda, Bluff, and Sow-Dolum. Committee — John H. Cobb and Dr. A. M. McDonald.
2nd Big Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage, Centre, Sandy Grove, Cypress, Church of the Covenant, and Common. Committee — A. McQueen and M. Calhoun.
3rd. Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Galatia, Hatchery, Iona, Laurel Hill, and Laurinburgh. Committee — Neill McKay D.D. and A. S. Baker.
4th Lebanon, Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, McPherson, Marsh Creek, Macedonia, Mineral Spring. Committee — D. A. McRae and J. A. McAllister.

Committees — 5th Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pa Lee, Philadelphia, Rockingham, Salem, and Shoe Heel; Committee — M. McQuiston and David Currie.

6th Sardis, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Sherwood, Zion and Union; Committee — Roger Martin and R. McCastill.

Condeded. — Minutes of Synod — Roger Martin, A. McMillan and P. McRae.

Second order of the day the Examination of Candidates.

Trial Sermon. — It was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock to hear the trial Sermon of Mr. L. A. McLean.

Rev. S. C. A. — Rev. S. C. Alexander of Mecklenburgh Presbytery, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Rev. D. F. — Rev. David Fairley appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Statistical Reports. — The statistical reports from the Churches were read and referred to the appropriate Committees.

Rev. John Monroe Baptist Ch. — Rev. John Monroe of the Baptist Church, being present, was invited to sit as a visiting member, and was received standing.

Rev. J. Evans Lumberton. — Application for the services of Rev. Joseph Evans as Stated Supply of Lumberton Church was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Sermon of L. A. McLean. — Mr. L. A. McLean, a candidate under our care, preached a sermon from the text previously assigned him, when the roll was called, and after some remarks, the sermon was unanimously sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for licensure.

Sustained.

D. Brown. — Duncan Brown, Ruling Elder of Long Street Church,

appeared, and gave satisfactory excuse for tardiness.

Harmony Church. — A Communication from Harmony Church was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Montpelier & Bethel Church. — Montpelier Church applies for one half of Rev. J. H. Cobb's time, and Bethel Church for one half of Rev. A. McQueen's time, Referred to Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Recess. — On motion, Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

After recess, Presbytery met.

D. G. Smith & A. T. McLean. — Ruling Elders, D. G. Smith of Mt. Tabor Church and A. T. McLean of Ashpole Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Sys. Beneficence, referred. — On motion, the Reports on Systematic Beneficence were referred, without reading, to the Committee on that subject.

Paper of Rev. R. M. — Rev. Roger Martin introduced a series of Resolutions in reference to Sessional Reports, which were accepted and made the second order of the day for Friday morning.

Rev. N. McKay D.D. reported on Sessional Records, recommending their approval, which was accepted.

Report of Treasurer. — The Treasurer's Report, covering the past 6 months, combined with the Report for the previous 6 months, was placed in the hands of the Finance Committee, and the Treasurer was directed to incorporate both reports in one annual Report to be published in the Appendix to the Minutes.

D. H. — Daniel Henderson obtained leave of absence after this evening's session.

Union & Curtinger. — A petition praying for a change in the call from Union and Curtinger Churches was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock A.M. tomorrow.

Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, April 23rd 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Report on Home Missions. Presbytery took up the order of the day, when the Report on Home Missions was read by the Chairman, and is as follows, viz:

Report on Home Missions.

The Committee of Home Missions for Fayetteville Presbytery would make the following report for the year ending April 1st 1880.

1st - As to Ministerial Support. We have in our Presbytery nineteen ordained Ministers. Of these, seventeen are wholly engaged in the ministerial calling, and two are teaching. There are within our bounds four Pastoral fields, occupying all of a minister's time, that are probably capable to pay salaries of $800. The average salary promised labouring Ministers in the Presbytery is about $714. This is an advance of $14.00 upon last year.

2nd - As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year covered by this report, your Treasurer mentions thirty Churches as contributing to Sustentation $244.97. The number of contributing Churches reported is one less than last year, but there is an increase in amount of $77.48.

Continued. Twenty of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year, but some of the delinquent Churches have paid since the first of April, and we hope others may pay their contributions at the present meeting of Presbytery.

For the current year the following appropriations have been made by the Home Missions Committee:

For Harmony Church for services rendered in 1879.	$25.00.
Carmon for six months	25.00.
Salem for six months	25.00.
Whole amount	$75.00.

These sums have been paid, and it is hoped that contributions from our remaining Churches may enable the Committee to make larger appropriations to these Churches for the last six months of the year, and to aid some feeble Churches now vacant in securing preaching.

3rd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic Work. For the financial year, your Treasurer reports twenty Churches as contributing to this cause $130.81. Some Churches may not have forwarded their contributions during the period covered by this report, or may pay them at the present meeting, but thirty of our Churches are not reported as contributing anything to Evangelistic Work in a year.

Four of our Churches have given to the Coloured Evangelistic Fund $12.50. No appropriations, as yet, have been made for Evangelistic Work within our bounds during the present year, but we hope that

Home Missions — the Reports of our exploring Committees in Morrow and Montgomery Counties, and the Condition of this fund, may enable us to do so before long. No efficient Evangelistic work can be done within our bounds unless our Churches contribute liberally for this purpose, and it is desirable that every organized Church under our care should make a generous contribution to this cause during the month of September, the time appointed by the Assembly.

Continued. 4th. As to Contributions and Appropriations to Invalid Fund. The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year by 25 Churches $137.14. Compared with previous year, there is a decrease of nine contributing Churches and of $13.49 in amount. Twenty-five of our Churches are not reported as contributing anything to the support of disabled and deceased Ministers and their families for a year.

Last September your Committee asked the following appropriations from this fund:

For Mrs Sarah D. Sherwood ——— $80.00.
" Mrs Kate McNeill ——— 40.00
Whole amount ——— $120.00.

These sums have been fully paid by the Assembly's Committee, and gave needful assistance to grateful beneficaries.

5th. As to supplies for vacant Churches.—
Zerza, Rev. Neil McKay D.D. One Sabbath and Sacrament.
Lebanon, by request. Rev. E. McNair D.D. one Sabbath & Sacrament.
Rockingham, Rev. Roger Martin " " " "

Home Missions — Galatia. Rev. Archibald McLean. one Sabbath & Sacrament.

Your Committee would make the following recommendations.

1st. That the Presbytery urge the officers of our Churches to make more vigorous efforts to pay the salaries of their Ministers promptly at the times appointed in the call sanctioned by Presbytery.

2nd. That the Treasurers of our Churches be instructed to pay over all benevolent contributions to the Treasurer of Presbytery at the end of every two months from the first of each year.

Respectfully submitted. R. G. Hill. Chairman.

Concluded. This Report was accepted and adopted.

The second order of the day was taken up, when the resolutions in reference to Church reports were discussed; when, on motion, the order of the day was suspended, and Presbytery determined to hear the trial sermon of Mr. Frank P. Harrell. Presbytery took a recess of five minutes.

Harrell's Sermon. After recess, Presbytery heard Mr. Harrell's sermon from Galatians 6; 14. The roll was called, when the sermon was unanimously sustained as a satisfactory part of trial for Licensure.

F. Missions — On motion, the report on Foreign Missions was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Candidates to be examined. The Candidates were referred to the various Committees for an examination on their literary course. They were likewise directed to hand their Latin Exegesis and Critical Exercises to the Committee on Languages.

Treasurer's Report approved. The Committee on Finance reported, recommending the approval of the Treasurer's Report.

A recommendation of said Committee ~~of said Com~~ ~~[illegible]~~ in reference to the duties of Church Sessions was referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. W. S. Lacy, Rev. J. H. Cobb, and J. A. McAllister.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

Records approved. After recess Presbytery met. Sessional Records of Long-Street, Lumber-Bridge, McPherson's Lumberton, Marks Creek and Macedonia approved with exceptions, and Mineral Springs not placed in their hands.

Change in Vis. Com.s. On motion, Rev. David Fairley was removed from Visiting Committee, No. 1. to Chairmanship of No. 2, and Rev. Joseph Evans from Committee of which he is now a member to No. 6.

Narrative to Gen. Ass. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly submitted their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

It is as follows:

It is gratifying to record, that the reports from the Churches composing this Presbytery are more complete than usual, and it is with special pleasure we record the unusual occurrence of the presence of every Minister belonging to this body. From the information furnished by our Church Sessions and Ministers, we would report the general condition of our Church to be far from what we would have it; but still not discouraging. We have but few vacant Churches, and these, we hope, will soon be supplied with the regular ministrations

Narrative. of the word. The number of additions to our Church membership has been unusually small, and but one instance of special religious awakening has been reported.

But there is gratifying evidence that most of our congregations are improving in devotion to the Great Head of the Church, and that the various duties of the Christian life are more generally and more faithfully performed.

1. The attendance upon the public ministrations of the Gospel evinces a manifest improvement in this particular, and in most of the visible aspects of our Churches there seems to be encouraging evidence of advancement.

2. We regret to report less liberality and less promptness on the part of our Churches in meeting their obligations to their ministers, than usual, though there are honorable exceptions in this respect.

3. Our Church reports show a decided improvement in contributing more generally to all the objects of Christian beneficence.

4. The Sabbath School work seems to be progressing and there is reason to hope for a revival of interest in the training of the young, and in family religion.

5. Our system of congregational visitation, Continued. by Committees of Presbytery, promises great good to our Churches, and has already accomplished much good where faithfully attended to.

Narrative. 6. In the hope that good may result, we reluctantly confess that the hopes of aid in the benevolent work of the Church from the progress of female benevolent and missionary Societies seem not to be fully realized. No new Societies are reported and some of those already in existence are not accomplishing so much as formerly.

Concluded.

Respectfully Submitted.

Sketch of Rev. A. Baker. The Committee appointed to prepare a biographical Sketch of the life and labours of Rev. Archibald Baker, deceased, presented their report, which was approved and ordered to be recorded in the Biographical Sketch Book, and a Copy to be sent to Mrs. Baker.

Records approved. The following sessional Records were approved; Bethel with exceptions, Bluff, with exceptions, Antioch, Fayetteville, Euphronia, Galatia, Zion and Laurel Hill; Harmony, Shoe Heel, Philadelphus, Mt. Tabor, with exceptions; Salem, Buffalo, Carthage and Cameron; and Centre with exceptions.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after this evening, was granted to Rev. Neill McKay, D.D. Daniel McIntyre, Rev. K. M. McIntyre, John McDougald, J. C. McAllister, Duncan Davis, A. D. Brown, Rev. N. J. Bowden, D. G. Smith, Allen McDonald, Rev. D. A. McRae, A. S. Baker, and Rev. James McLean.

Papers laid on table. The unfinished business, viz: the paper presented by Rev. Roger Morton, and also that presented by Rev. Neill McKay, D.D. were laid on the table till next meeting of Presbytery.

Systematic Beneficence. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence submitted their report, which was adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. (See Appendix B.)

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies reported, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The following requests came into our hands:

1. Montpelier asks for one half of Rev. J. H. Cobb's time on a salary of $300. per annum, which the Committee recommend be granted.

2. A request from Bethel Church for one half of Rev. A. McLean's time on a salary of $400. per annum, which we recommend be granted.

3. The Church of Lumberton asks permission to employ Rev. Joseph Evans for two Sabbath services in the month on a salary of $300. which we recommend be be granted.

4. Long-Street Church asks of Presbytery of employing Rev. David Fairley for one Saturday in each month, with as many Sabbaths as he may be able to give them, on a salary of $100. which we recommend be granted.

5. Request from Mt. Carmel Church asking permission to employ Rev. S. C. Alexander, of Mecklenburg Presbytery, one fourth of his time on a salary of $200. which we recommend be granted.

6. A request from Harmony Church to employ Rev. S. C. Alexander one fourth of his time on a salary of $200. and also a request from Mark's Creek Church for permission to employ the same one fourth of his time on a salary of $75. both of which

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are recommended be granted.

7. Ashfield Church requests permission to employ Rev. H. M. Brearley of Harmony Presbytery, one half of his time on a salary of $400. which we recommend be granted.

Union and Carthage Churches request Presbytery so to change the joint Pastoral Call between them and their Pastor, that Union shall have half his time on a salary of $400. and Carthage one half of his time on a salary of $400. which was granted.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted

Sessional Records were approved.

Natural Science.

The Committee on Natural Science reported that they had examined Messrs Harrell and McLean on that subject, and recommended that said examination be sustained as satisfactory.

Rev. D. A. McRae.

Rev. D. A. McRae, at his own request, was, on motion, permitted to labour without our bounds for the next six months.

Report on Finance Committee's suggestions.

The special Committee, to whom was referred the recommendations of the Finance Committee, submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee to whom was referred the suggestions of the Finance Committee, respectfully report, recommending the following action: That hereafter the Sessions of the Churches be respectfully enjoined to embody in their annual reports of "Funds Collected" not only

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the full amounts contributed in various ways to the several objects of Benevolence of the General Assembly, but also, in separate columns, the specific sums transmitted to the Treasurer, and for which they hold his receipts; these reports to include only such sums as are transmitted on or before the 31st day of March of each year, and that the Treasurer be instructed to include in his annual report to the Presbytery all amounts so forwarded.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Wm. S. Lacy.

Commissioners

Presbytery then proceeded to the appointment of Commissioners to the General Assembly, when Rev. Joseph Evans was chosen as principal and Rev. David Fairly as alternate; and Mr. Daniel McIntyre, Ruling Elder of Carrson Church, as principal, and Capt. A. S. Baker, Ruling Elder of Lebanon Church, as alternate.

Chosen.

Place & time of next meeting.

On motion, Shoe Heel Church, Robeson County, N.C. was chosen as the place for holding our next stated meeting, and the time fixed for Thursday before the third Sabbath in October 1880 at 11 o'clock A. M.

Report on Education.

The Committee on Education reported as follows, which was adopted:

The Committee of Education report to Fayetteville Presbytery as follows: The Candidates under the care of Presbytery completed the course in Union Theological Seminary, and are now before the

Education. Presbytery for examination with a view to licensure. The $175. appropriated by the Assembly's Committee to aid each of these brethren has been paid in full.

As to Statistics.- Of the fifty Churches under our care, aggregating 3.785 members, thirty-one report Contributions to the Assembly's Committee, amounting in the aggregate to $193.35 and twenty-three, aggregating 2.975 members contribute to the Tuscaloosa Institute $94,69.

The 3.785. members contribute to the Assembly's Committee an average of about five cents per member, and 2.975. members contribute to the Tuscaloosa Institute an average of about three cents per member. As to the different Churches, the Contributions range from thirty-one cts to one fourth cent per member. One Church of thirty four members contributes 31. cents per member to the Assembly's Committee and 14 2/3 cents per member to the Coloured Institute.

One Church of 158 members contributes 18 cents per member to the Assembly's Committee and 9 cents per member to the Institute. One Church of 103 members gives 29½ cents per member to the Committee and about 4 cents per member to the Institute. One Church of 253. members gives 2 3/4 cents per member to the Committee and 8 cents per member to the Institute. One Church of 300. members gives one half cent

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Education per member to the Committee and one fourth cent per member to the Institute. Another Church of 256 members gives 2 cents per member to the Committee and about the same to the Institute.

The amount Contributed to the Committee is less by about $26.00 than last year, but the aggregate, including the Contributions to the Tuscaloosa Institute, reaches the sum of $287.73, which is some sixty dollars more than last year.

The Committee calls attention to the fact, that a larger number of Churches than ever before have Contributed, some of them liberally, to the cause of Educating a Coloured Ministry, and the increased giving indicates a growing interest in this important cause.

The Committee also calls attention to the fact that Presbytery now has no Candidate for the Ministry in course of preparation under its care. In view of these facts we recommend the following resolutions:

1. That as a Presbytery, we, together with all the Churches under our care, are called upon to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers into His harvest.

2. That the Ministers and Sessions of our Churches be urged to make diligent efforts in looking out suitable persons to be sent to the Institute for training a Coloured Ministry.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted. J. R. Cobb Chairman.

Mc Phatter & Mountain Grove Col'd Churches

The Committee, to whom was referred the Communication from the Elders of McPhatter and Mountain Grove Churches (Coloured,) made their report, the recommendations of which were adopted seriatim, and then as a whole, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee to which the petition from McPhatter's and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches, for Counsel as to having preaching, was Committed, make the following recommendations:

Rev. A. McZ.

1st That these employ Rev. Archibald McZ one Sabbath in the month, to preach to each Church on the same day, and that they raise for him such a salary as their ability may permit.

Employed.

2nd. That Presbytery pay, through the Home Mission's Committee, from the Coloured Evangelistic fund, the sum of $50.00 to Rev. Archibald McZ for his services to those Churches.

3rd That Presbytery appoint October of each year as the period during which an annual collection shall be taken up in our Churches for the Coloured Evangelistic Fund.

Respectfully submitted. H. G. Hill.
J. A. McAllister } Committee.
D. A McRae.

The Committee on Moral Science reported that they had examined Messrs McLean and Harris on this subject, and recommended that said examination be sustained, which was adopted.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Saturday morning. April 24th 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Records

On motion, the report of the Committee on Records of Philadelphia Church was re-considered, when the exceptions were stricken out and Records approved.

Approved,

The following Sessional Records were approved with exceptions: Shrewsbury, Sardis, St. Paul's, Sandy Grove and Union.

Mr. David McIntyre, one of the Clerks, having obtained leave of absence, Rev. M. McZ was appointed in his place.

Visiting Committees

On motion, the changes made yesterday on the Visiting Committees were reconsidered, when the following Committee was appointed to report such changes as may be necessary, viz: Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, D. Fairley and Joseph Evans with Ruling Elders, W. J. Smith and R. McCaskill; said Committee to report next fall.

Papers referred without reading,

The following resolutions were ~~adopted~~ overruled, viz:

Resolved, That hereafter the Narrative on the state of religion, sent up by our Churches, be put in the hands of the Committee on the Narrative without being read.

2nd That a statement of reciprocal duties be entered on the Minutes of Sessions at or near the close of each Ecclesiastical year without being read in Presbytery.

3rd That the reports on Sabbath Schools and Systematic Beneficence be referred to the respective Committees without being read

4th That the Committees on Narrative, Sabbath-Schools, and Systematic Beneficence digest their reports, as heretofore, for Synod and General Assembly; and if there be, in their judgment, items of interest to the Presbytery, they bring them before that body.

Conclud.d. Southern Chapel.

On motion, it was ordered that the Collection to be taken up in the Foreign Missionary meeting of Presbytery be appropriated to the Southern Chapel Fund.

F. Missions.

Presbytery took up the order of the day, viz; Foreign Missions, when after appropriate religious services, the report was read by the Agent, Rev. M. McQueen, and pending a motion to adopt, several addresses were delivered.

The Report is as follows, viz;

If we would realize the magnitude of the work which our Divine Master has left His Church to perform, we must remember that the population of the earth is over fourteen hundred millions, and that of this vast multitude two hundred millions are ignorant of the "only name given among men whereby we must be saved".

Of this large number of heathen two millions are passing ~~away~~ prepared into eternity every month, while the whole Church of Christ is only providing one missionary to every four hundred thousand souls. This is a sad picture for the closing part of the nineteenth Century. Nor is our beloved Zion doing her full duty to the perishing

F. Miss.s millions of earth. Of our 1,122 Ministers and licentiates, we have only fifteen ordained American Ministers in foreign lands; and of our Eighty-seven Missionaries and Assistant Missionaries, only thirty-nine are from this Country. The others are natives of the Countries in which they labour.

Over one hundred and sixteen thousand, seven hundred and fifty-five members gave only $36,061. in 1878. The Contributions for 1879, are one or two thousand dollars more than that of the previous year.

This small increase in the Contributions of the Church, and the fact that we have sent out one new missionary, and that two others are under appointment to go in early summer to fill up the depleted ranks of our over-worked missionaries, are matters of encouragement.

But while the aggregate contribution of the whole Church has increased, we regret to say, that in our own Presbytery there has been a decrease. During the last year twenty-seven of our fifty Churches gave $227.72. Ladies' Missionary Societies $387.85. Sabbath Schools $23.81. miscellaneous $17.05. -- In all $656.43.

This aggregate is $140.72. less than that of the previous year.

This falling is due mainly to the fact that twenty three of our fifty Churches reported no contributions to this Cause for the past year. Such utter indifference to the everlasting death of millions of our fellow-beings is inexcusable.

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While we have abundant reasons for humiliation and confession, we are not entirely destitute of.

F. Miss.— grounds of encouragement and gratitude.

God has greatly blessed the labourers of our Missionaries, and the prospect is that, when financial prosperity will be restored to our Country, our debt will be cancelled, more Missionaries will be sent out, and our whole Mission work will be more prosperous than it has been for years.

Respectfully submitted.

M. McLean, Agent.

Concluded. The Collection taken up amounted to $33.34.

Examination. The Committee on Exercises, English reported that they had examined Messrs McLean and Harrell on this branch of study, and recommended that it be sustained as satisfactory, which was adopted.

Sustained.

Recess. On motion, Presbytery took a recess of five minutes to meet in the grove.

J. D. Currie. After recess Presbytery met, when Mr. J. D. Currie, a member of Bethel Church, came before Presbytery with a view to place himself under our care as a candidate for the Holy Ministry.

A new Candidate. After a careful examination as to his personal piety and his motives in seeking the Ministry, he was taken under our care as a candidate for the Holy Ministry.

$50. for Rockingham Church. On motion, it was resolved, That the Committee of Home Missions be instructed to appropriate $50. from the Mizpah Church Fund to secure preaching at Rockingham Church.

Languages. The Committee on Languages reported, that they had examined Messrs Harrell and McLean

Theses & Critical Exercises. on Latin and Greek; and also that they had examined their Latin theses and Critical exercises, all of which they recommended should be approved as satisfactory parts of trial for licensure. This report was adopted.

Lectures. Presbytery then heard the lectures of these young brethren, which were likewise sustained.

Theology. They were then examined on Theology - Natural and Revealed - which was sustained.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. H. McLean, Rev. Joseph Evans, N. T. McLean and D. A. Mallory.

Records of Ashpole. On motion, the action of yesterday on Report of Sessional Records of Ashpole Church was reconsidered, and a special Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs D. D. McBryde, J. H. Cobb and Roger Martin, and Elder, R. McCaskill, was appointed to examine said Records and report this afternoon.

Recess. Presbytery took a recess for thirty minutes.

After recess Presbytery met.

Candidates. The Report from Union Theological Seminary, showing the diligence and scholarship of our candidates was read.

Examined. These brethren were then examined on Ecclesiastical History, which was approved.

Ashpole. The special Committee, to whom the Sessional Records of Ashpole Church had been referred, reported as follows, which was adopted:

Records. On pages 132—135 - irregularities in a judicial case appear which do not conform to the letter of our Book;

Ashpole but this exception is not to be understood as vitiating the decision in this particular case, especially as no protest or complaint has been entered by the accused.

Examination. Presbytery examined Messrs Harrell and McLean on Church Government and Sacraments, which was sustained.

Harrell & McLean. The Committee on the Hebrew Language reported, that they had examined Messrs Harrell and McLean on that language, and recommended that it be sustained, which was adopted.

Licensed. Messrs Frank P. Harrell and Lauchlin A. McLean, having now passed through all the examinations required by our Book; whereupon these examinations were sustained as a whole, these brethren were duly licensed as probationers for the Holy Ministry; and the Stated Clerk placed in the hands of each an attested Copy of the same, in the following words, viz:

Form of Licensure. At Laurel Hill Church, Richmond County, N.C. on the 24th day of April 1880, the Presbytery of Fayetteville having received testimonials in favour of Frank P. Harrell, of his having gone through a regular course of literature; of his good moral character; and of his being in the communion of the Church; proceeded to take the usual parts of trial for his licensure; and he having given satisfaction as to his accomplishments in Literature; as to his experimental acquaintance with religion; and as to his proficiency in divinity and other studies; the Presbytery did, and hereby do, express their approbation of all these parts of trial; and he having adopted the Confession of Faith of this Church, and satisfactorily answered the questions appointed

License to be given to Candidates to be licensed, the Presbytery did, and hereby do license him, the said Frank P. Harrell, to preach the Gospel of Christ, as a probationer for the holy ministry, within the bounds of this Presbytery, or wherever else he shall be orderly called.

Concluded. A copy of the same form was furnished to Mr Lauchlin A. McLean.

Publication. Rev. D. Fairley, Agent of Publication presented his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

During the year ending April 1st 1880, twenty Churches within our bounds have contributed $75. 84. to the Cause of Publication. Thirty Churches are reported as having done nothing for this important branch of Christian work.

This fact is especially lamentable, when we consider the difficulties by which the Committee is hampered and the expressed desire to obtain larger and more general contributions to this Cause.

The debt now crippling its efforts must be lifted before it can accomplish its legitimate work. The importance and necessity of this is apparent to all who are acquainted with the facts in the case. Therefore, Resolved, That our Ministers and Sessions be directed to use greater efforts, in order to get the people to understand the liabilities of the Committee and to meet them by more liberal contributions.

Colportage. To the Cause of Colportage seventeen Churches have contributed the sum of $35. 53. Thirty-three Churches are reported as not contributing.

Colportage. Consequent upon this dereliction on the part of so many Churches, we have no Colporteur in the field.

We are doing nothing by this effective agency to supply our people with a wholesome literature. We are not half alive to the importance of the work to which we are called: this ought not to be.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

D. Fairley, Agent.

Report on Minutes of Synod. The Committee on the Minutes of Synod made their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the Minutes of last Synod; and they call the attention of Presbytery to the following matters:

1. Page 70. Resolutions in reference to a Coloured Ministry, viz: Lessea's Institute.
2. Page 71. Resolution appointing the last Thursday in February 1880, a day of special prayer in our Churches for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our Institutions of learning and upon the youth of our land.
3. Page 73. Report of the Committee on Sabbath Schools.
4. Page 74. Report on Publication and Colportage.
5. Page 78. Report of Committee to review Minutes of General Assembly.
6. Page 82. Paper adopted in reference to the address of Dr. McIlvaine.
7. Page 84. Paper adopted by Synod in reference to "Woman Preaching".
8. Page 98. Paper on Davidson College adopted by Synod.

Concluded. Sabbath. On motion, the Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath was continued, and they were directed to report

at the next meeting of Presbytery.

Carrell & McLean. Permission was granted to our Licentiates, Messrs H. Carrell and A. McLean, at their own request, to labour outside of our bounds until next fall.

By-Laws. The Committee on Home Missions, previously appointed to draw up By-Laws, presented their report, which was approved and ordered to be printed in the appendix. (See appendix C.)

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. A. McLean, Malcom McNeill and J. C. Ferguson.

Reciprocal Duties. The Committee on Reciprocal Duties submitted their report which was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee on Reciprocal Duties respectfully report:

Reports on this subject have been placed in their hands from the following Ministers, viz: H. McLean, H. B. Reid, J. C. Ferguson and W. S. Lacey; and from the following Church Sessions, viz: Antioch, Philadelphia, Fayetteville, Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Buffalo and Eufaula.

From these reports, it appears that the Pastors and Supplies have been faithful in the discharge of their duties, and, with one exception, their support is sufficient, or quite so, to relieve from worldly cares and avocations.

Of the seven Churches reporting, three have fully met their obligations to their Ministers. One (worthy of special mention,) has more than met its promises, Laurel Hill.

Four have not fully met their obligations, three being in arrears in each instance, in most of which local calls efforts are making to extinguish them, and two of those meeting fully their obligations report not having them promptly.

It further appears that there has been casual fidelity

Continued, and diligence on the part of Elders and Deacons, and the recognition of obligations on the part of the people which is due from their installation vows.

The Committee call attention of the Presbytery to the fact, that of nineteen Ministers only four obeyed its injunctions, and of fifty Churches only seven sent forward reports.

Respectfully submitted.

Concluded.

Coble for Moderator.

Rev. John H. Coble was nominated for Moderator at our next stated meeting.

Sketches.

Historical Sketches of Churches was ordered to be forwarded to Rev. J. Rumple, Salisbury, N.C.

300 copies to be printed.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 300 copies of our present Minutes.

Presbyterian Fund.

The Treasurer presented a statement of Amounts due the Presbyterial Fund, and also claims against said Fund.

Re-Assessment of Churches.

On motion, the following Committee was appointed to revise the assessment of our Churches on the Presbyterial and to report next fall, viz Rev. Messrs J. P. McPherson, H. G. Hill and W. J. Smith.

Vote of thanks.

The following vote of thanks was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of Fayetteville Presbytery are due and are hereby tendered to the Congregation of Laurel Hill Church for their generous hospitality to its members during its present session; and that the Pastor be requested to read this resolution from the pulpit.

S. Schools.

Rev. William S. Lacy, Agent for Sabbath-Schools,

read his report, which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. (See Appendix D.)

Pay to each Commissioner, Order

On motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay to each of our Commissioners to the General Assembly $25.00.

The Treasurer was ordered to pay Jackson and Bell for printing the Minutes of 1879.

Treasurer elected.

Rev. J. P. McPherson was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the ensuing year.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a final report.

Statistical Report to Gen. Ass.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that Body. It is as follows: The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that, at present, they consist of Nineteen Ministers, and have under their care fifty Churches, two Licentiates, and one Candidate for the Ministry; that on the 26th day of April 1879, they received by letter, Rev. George M. Gibbs from the Presbytery of Concord; that on the 16th day of May 1879, they organized a Presbyterian Church at Cameron, Moore County, N.C.; that on the 8th day of October 1879, they dismissed, at his own request, Rev. C. M. Shepherson D.D. to join the Presbytery of Louisiana; that on the same day they received by letter, from the Presbytery of Orange, Rev. Roger Martin; that on the 16th day of November 1879, they installed Rev. Roger Martin Pastor of Centre Church, and on the Evening of the same day

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they installed him Pastor of Shoe Heel Church; that on the 23rd day of November 1879, they installed Rev. John H. Cobb Pastor of Lacrinburgh Church; and that on the 24th day of April 1880, they licensed, as probationers to preach the Gospel, Messrs Frank P. Harrell and L. A. McLean.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Conclude. Annual Report. The Annual Report to the General Assembly was read and approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded. (See Appendix F.)

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Shoe Heel Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Thursday before the third sabbath in April 1880, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostles Benediction.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Examined in Synod at Raleigh November 12th 1880 & approved.

J. Henry Smith, Moderator.

APPENDIX.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1880.

OBJECTS.	No. of congregations contributing.	Amounts.
Sustentation	35	$ 239 35
Evangelistic	32	190 42
Invalid Fund	32	184 81
Foreign Missions	38	679 16
Education	32	196 34
Publication	33	172 31
Institute for Education of Colored Ministry	26	88 29
Presbyterial	34	352 67

Twenty-nine congregations have contributed to all the six objects of benevolence ordered by the General Assembly; four have contributed to five of them; one has contributed to three of them; three have contributed to two of them; one has contributed to one of them, and one has contributed to none of them.

REMARKS: Reports received from 39 Churches. From the following Churches no reports have been received, viz: Barbecue, Bethlehem, Sandy Grove, Mineral Spring, Cypress, Rockingham, Tirza, Harmony and Cameron.

By order of the Presbytery.

JOSEPH EVANS,
Chairman of Committee.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1st, 1880.

NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	Number on Rolls.		Average attendance.		Increase.		Decrease		Number added to Church.		Amount contributed for your own School.	Amount contributed for Missionary Purposes.
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
Antioch	5	60	5	45	2	15					$ 7 50	
Ashpole	6	62	5	50								$ 1 30
Bethel	9	90	5	75	2	20					6 00	
Bethesda	4	40									7 00	
Ben Salem	4	40										
Bluff	12	95	7	75			2			5		3 00
Buffalo	24	164	19	114	4	16				6	38 00	35 00
Cameron	5	35	3	25	3					3	3 00	
Carthage	10	50	8	40	3	20					12 00	
Centre	11	109	9	75	6	9				1	56 14	7 00
China Grove	3	12	3	12			1					
Church of the Covenant	12	45	10	40	2	15					20 00	
Euphronia	18	116	14	87	3	32				4	30 00	
Fayetteville	21	177	18	102		12				1	13 38	71 00
Iona	3	40	3	30				10				
Laurel Hill	15	70	14	60	11	55				3	14 00	4 05
Laurinburg	7	100	4	49	1	15				3	20 80	3 00
Lebanon	3	17	3	12						1		
Lumber Bridge	2	35	2	30								1 19
Lumberton	8	33	5	20	3	13						14 73
Mark's Creek	2	14	2	14			1		1	3	5 00	
Montpelier	2	30	2	15		1					6 00	
Mount Carmel												
Mount Pisgah	6	33	4	26							10 00	
Mount Tabor	2	20	2	18							2 00	
McPherson's		53		30		4					8 18	1 00
Philadelphus	3	28										
Saint Andrew's	10	15	8	12			3	25	2	8	1 03	
Saint Paul's	9	100	7	75		12	1				8 00	
Sardis	4	20	4	15								
Sharon	5	45	4	30								
Sherwood	8	60	6	44				1			7 25	
Shoe Heel	10	75	6	50	2	10					5 00	
Smyrna	7	40	5	30						5	2 10	5 00
Union	27	148	17	94	2	25	2			3	23 33	
	277	2071	204	1394	44	274	10	36	3	46	$305 71	$146 27

REMARKS:—Thirty-five of our fifty Churches make report. Some pastors preach specially to the children. All of the schools are under the immediate control of Sessions. There is perhaps a growing interest in the cause of Sabbath Schools and inquiry as to the best methods of conduct. The publication and lesson helps of the Committee are generally used. Three Churches report Mission Schools.

[Signed]

REV. W. S. LACY, Agent. J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

BY-LAWS

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE HOME MISSIONS' COMMITTEE, ADOPTED BY FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY APRIL 1880.

1st. The Home Missions' Committee shall always appropriate specifically to the different objects presented, and, unless a preference is expressed to the contrary, it will always give the precedence to applications in behalf of feeble Churches.

2nd. No appropriation shall be made to supplement the salary given by a feeble Church, unless the Home Missions' Committee is satisfied that the congregation itself has done all that could reasonably be expected of it to raise a sufficient salary; and further that the Minister is not himself engaged in any secular business which, in the estimation of his Presbytery, interferes with his efficiency, or prevents him from doing the full work of his Ministry.

3rd. In none but extraordinary cases shall the Committee ever appropriate more than one-half of what is given by a feeble Church or union of feeble Churches.

4th. The Evangelist is an officer duly appointed and set apart by Presbytery to take charge of its feeble Churches or destitute fields. His salary shall be paid, first by the field of labor served by him under the direction and supervision of the Home Missions' Committee, and second from the Evangelistic Fund.

5th. No appropriation shall be made to aid in repairing or erecting a Church edifice, except where the Home Missions' Committee are satisfied that the congregation themselves have not the means to do it, and that the amount appropriated by the Committee will be sufficient to put the house in condition to be used for public worship.

6th. All appropriations made by the Committee for salaries shall be paid by the Treasurer of Presbytery, in semi-annual installments in March and October, on the order of the Chairman of the Home Missions' Committee.

7th. The Home Missions' Committee may pay its necessary expenses, incurred in the discharge of its duties as such, provided these expenditures are regularly reported in the Treasurer's account for the approval of Presbytery.

8th. All appropriations made by the Committee of Home Missions, in aid of Pastor's Supplies, Missions and Evangelists, shall be subject to the two following conditions in addition to those already embodied in the By-Laws of the Committee: 1st. That the Minister shall, at least once a year, distinctly set before each of the Churches and Missionary stations, regularly ministered to by him, the duty of worshiping God with our substance as He hath prospered us. 2nd. That the said Minister shall, in co-operation with the

Session, (if there be one) see to it that, in the congregation ministered to by him, at least one annual collection be taken up in aid of the benevolent operations of the Church.

9th. It shall be the duty of the Minister receiving the appropriation briefly to report to the Chairman of the Committee of Home Missions at the end of five months after the first semi-annual installment of the appropriation shall have been received, or earlier, the extent to which he has complied with these conditions.

10th. The Committee of Home Missions shall withhold the payment of the second installment of the appropriation, or shall withhold a new appropriation to the same field, when there is satisfactory evidence of an entire failure to comply with the conditions aforesaid, except in extraordinary cases hereby left to the discretion of the Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS, (SUSTENTATION.)

1879.	Dr.
Oct. 8—Mark's Creek,	$ 2 07
Nov. 6—Centre,	11 51
1880.	
Jan. 4—Lumber Bridge,	8 00
" 25—Salem,	2 50
" 29—St. Andrew's,	5 00
" 30—Mineral Spring,	5 67
" 30—Bluff,	7 00
Feb. 3—Centre (additional),	11 03
" 3—Shoe Heel,	20 68
" 5—Antioch,	3 00
" 5—Ashpole,	10 16
" 9—Cypress,	4 00
" 11—McPherson's,	4 65
" 16—Harmony,	2 00
" 16—Mt. Carmel,	4 05
" 16—Bethlehem,	2 17
" 24—Fayetteville,	12 51
Mar. 1—Rockingham,	2 00
" 2—Lumberton,	11 28
" 5—Fayetteville S. School,	9 61
" 8—Laurel Hill,	19 50
" 8—Smyrna,	10 10
" 8—Mark's Creek,	3 60
" 20—Buffalo,	14 00
Centre Sabbath School, through Rev. R. Martin, New Year's offering, to be sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine by instructions.	7 00
	$193 09

1880.	Cr.
Jan. 12—Rev. H. G. Hill, printing circulars,	$ 1 50
Mar. 22—Orders from Rev. H. G. Hill, Chairman Home Missions, as follows:	
Harmony Church to Rev. S. C. Slocomb,	25 00
Cameron Church to Rev. G. M. Gibbs,	25 00
Salem Church to Rev. J. P. McPherson,	25 00
Mar. 24—Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D., including 15 per cent. on 186 09,	27 91
Centre S. S.	7 00
	$111 41
Cash on hand,	81 68
	$193 09

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1879.	Dr.
Oct. 1—Cash on hand as per last report,	$68 02
" 6—Big-Rockfish,	5 00
" 8—Ladies' Aid S'y, St. Pauls,	20 00
" 8—Presby'l Coll'n, Sharon,	22 13
" 8—Sharon,	4 00
" 8—Mt. Carmel,	1 71
" 16—Buffalo,	12 00
" 17—Lumberton,	3 60
" 19—Antioch,	2 25
Nov. 24—Tirza,	5 00
Dec. 8—Ladies' Mis. S'y, Antioch,	5 00
1880.	
Jan. 20—Fayetteville,	27 62
Feb. 7—Laurinburgh,	18 52
" 11—McPherson's,	4 40
" 16—Harmony,	3 05
Mar. 8—Ladies' Missionary Society, Antioch,	6 00
	$208 30

1880.	Cr.
Mar. 23—Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D.D., Baltimore,	$208 30
	$208 30

Laurel Hill.

HOME MISSIONS, (EVANGELISTIC WORK.)

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Oct. 1—Cash on hand as per last report,	$21 94	March—Cash on hand,	$108 87
" 6—Galatia,	1 68		
" 6—Big-Rockfish,	5 00		
" 6—Bethlehem,	1 03		
" 8—Pee Dee,	2 00		
" 8—Laurel Hill,	23 00		
" 8—Smyrna,	11 27		
" 16—Buffalo,	3 75		
" 16—Bluff,	3 60		
" 17—Lumberton,	2 00		
Nov. 6—Mineral Spring,	3 26		
" 6—Lebanon,	1 50		
" 6—Centre,	10 00		
1880.			
Jan. 6—St. Andrew's	3 00		
" 20—Fayetteville,	3 27		
Feb. 11—McPherson's,	2 86		
Mar. 20—Bethesda,	7 71		
" 22—Antioch,	2 00		
	$108 87		$108 87

PUBLICATION.

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Nov. 6—Centre Church,	$10 00	Mar. 8—Post office money order sent to Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D.,	$37 64
Dec. 15—Bethesda,	7 87		
1880.			
Jan. 6—St. Andrew's,	3 00		
" 20—Fayetteville,	6 75		
Feb. 11—McPherson's,	2 34		
" 16—Sabbath School, Galatia,	89		
" 22—Salem,	2 10		
Mar. 7—Lumber Bridge S. S.,	1 19		
" 7—Lumber Bridge Church,	3 50		
	37 64		$37 64
Mar. 15—Laurinburg,	4 20		
" 15—Laurinburgh S. School,	3 00		
" 20—St. Andrew's,	3 00		
" 29—Mineral Spring,	5 44		
" 29—Bethlehem,	1 34		
" 29—Cypress,	1 50		
	$18 48	Cash on hand,	$18 48

COLPORTAGE.

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Sept. 30, Cash on hand,	$21 18	Mar. 30, Cash on hand,	$35 53
Oct. 8, Pee Dee,	85		
Nov. 6, Centre,	10 00		
1880.			
Jan. 20, Fayetteville,	3 50		
	$35 53		$35 53

Shoe Heel.

INVALID FUND.

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Oct. 6—Big-Rockfish,	$ 8 00	Mar. 23—Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D.D., Baltimore,	$47 47
" 8—Pee Dee,	2 00		
" 8—Sharon,	2 00		
" 16—Buffalo,	7 00		
" 17—Lumberton,	2 55		
1880.			
Jan. 20—Fayetteville,	6 90		
Feb. 7—Laurinburgh,	16 36		
" 11—McPherson,	2 66		
	$47 47		$47 47

EDUCATION.

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Oct. 1, Cash on hand as per last report,	$34 85	Feb. 11, Check sent to G. W. McRae, Memphis,	147 42
Nov. 6, Centre Church,	10 00	1880.	
" 11, St. Andrew's,	5 00	Mar. 23, Post Office money order sent to G. W. McRae, Memphis,	21 15
" 16, Lumber Bridge,	3 12		$168 57
" 23, Salem,	2 60	Cash on hand,	4 47
" 26, Lebanon,	2 00		
Dec. 1, Cypress,	2 00		
" 10, Centre (additional),	15 58		
" 10, Shoe Heel,	10 68		
" 11, Bethlehem,	3 21		
" 15, Bethesda,	5 85		
1880.			
Jan. 6, Mt. Pisgah,	66		
" 12, Laurel Hill,	9 50		
" 12, Smyrna,	4 00		
" 12, Mark's Creek,	2 50		
" 20, Big-Rockfish,	5 00		
Feb. 7, Laurinburgh,	27 64		
" 11, McPherson's,	7 55		
Mar. 20, Sherwood,	5 00		
" 20, Mt. Tabor,	5 00		
" 20, Buffalo,	5 25		
" 22, Antioch,	3 00		
" 23, Fayetteville,	3 05		
	$173 04		$173 04
Mar. 29, By error in addition sent to G. W. McRae Feb'y 1880,	4 47		

COLORED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Dr.		Cr.	
1879.		1880.	
Nov. 6, McPhatter Church, (colored,)	$1 50	Mar. 30, Cash on hand,	12 50
1880.			
Jan. 6, Lebanon,	2 00		
" 15, Laurel Hill,	7 00		
" 15, Smyrna,	2 00		
	$12 50		$12 50

Laurel Hill.

CURRIE FUND.

1879.		Dr.	1880.		Cr.
Sept. 30,	Cash on hand,	$7 50	Mar. 20,	Post Office money order sent to L. W. Currie, Carthage,	$7 90
Oct. 8,	Mt. Carmel,	40			
		$7 90			$7 90

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

1879.		Dr.	1879.		Cr.
Sept. 30,	Cash on hand,	$48 91	Oct'r 2,	Salary for self as Treasurer,	$25 00
Oct. 8,	Bethel,	5 70	" 11,	Balance due on salary as S. C.,	15 00
" 17,	Lumberton,	1 72	1880.		
" 17,	Returned by J. A. McAllister,	1 55	Jan'y 28,	Check sent to Jesse H. Lindsay, Treasurer of Synod,	20 00
Dec. 23,	Returned by H. H. Hodgin,	7 25			$60 00
" 11,	Bethlehem,	1 72		Cash on hand,	60 00
1880.					
Jan. 6,	Mt. Pisgah,	4 34			
Feb. 11,	McPherson's,	10 00			
Mar. 18,	Bethel,	8 02			
" 20,	St. Andrew's,	6 00			
" 22,	Antioch,	15 00			
" 28,	Lumber Bridge,	10 00			
		$120 21			$120 00

COLORED INSTITUTE.

1879.		Dr.	1880.		Cr.
Nov. 6,	Centre Church,	10 00	Feb 27,	Post Office money order sent to Rev. C. A. Stillman, D. D.,	$43 15
Dec. 15,	Cypress,	2 60	1880.		
" 19,	Lebanon,	1 63	Mar. 30,	Cash on hand,	6 00
" 19,	Mountain Grove, (colored,)	1 50			
" 19,	McPhatter, (colored,)	87			
" 21,	Lumber Bridge,	2 80			
1880.					
Jan. 6,	Antioch,	2 00			
" 7,	Centre,	5 00			
" 7,	Shoe Heel,	5 00			
" 12,	Laurel Hill,	3 00			
" 12,	Smyrna,	3 00			
" 12,	Bethlehem,	75			
" 30,	Bluff,	3 00			
Feb. 11,	McPherson's,	2 00			
Mar. 20,	St. Andrew's,	1 00			
" 20,	Buffalo,	5 00			
		$49 15			$49 15

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

1880.		Dr.	1880.		Cr.
Mar. 30,	Cash on hand,	$100 00	Mar. 30,	Cash in bank,	$100 00
		$100 00			$100 00

Shoe Heel.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 19 Ministers, and has under its care [illegible] Churches, 2 Licentiates and 1 Candidate, viz:

MINISTERS, Etc.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	Elders.	Deacons.	Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Number Baptized Non-Communicants.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries actually paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P.	6	4		1	138		11	90	85	$ 3 25	$ 2 00		3 50	18 00	$ 3 00	$ 15 00	$ 169 50	$ 25	$ 9
" " "	" " " "	Philadelphus, P.	7	4	1	6	94		5	49	65	80	35	$ 35	5 73	35	35	15 00	100 42	13 85	1 25
James P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville, N. C.	Lumber Bridge, S. S.	4	3	2		79		2		35	8 00	5 00	4 00	8 50	3 12	4 69	10 00	271 50	140 50	12 69
" " "	" "	Salem, S. S.	2	3	2		18				50		3 50	1 95	2 54	2 25		4 05	125 00		
Neill McKay, D. D., S. S.	Summerville, "	Flat Branch S. S.	4	2	1	1	57	1		36		2 90	2 90	2 90	2 90	2 90	2 90	3 00			
George M. Gibbs, S. S.	Cameron, "	McPherson's, S. S.	3	8			96		2	36	53	7 74	2 86	2 66	4 40	7 55	3 30	10 00	275 00	53 36	
" " "	" "	Cypress, S. S.	5	4			125												75 75		
" " "	" "	Cameron, S. S.	2	1	4	4	33	1		9	35										
Andrew McMillan, Teacher	Laurel Hill, "																				
D. D. McBryde, P.	Little River Acadamy, N. C.	Bluff, P.	5	5	10		201		9		95	7 00	8 60	10 38	15 00		6 50	16 24	400 75		3
" " S. S.	" " " "	Sardis, S. S.	3	3	2	1	53			18		8 48	6 00	5 50	11 00	4 31	2 [illegible]	19 71	300 00		5
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage, N. C.	Carthage, P.	9	6	6	2	148	1	6	32	58	3 00	3 00	5 00	49 60	6 00	5 00	15 00	207 15	155	16 34
" " "	" "	Union, P.	10	7	4	1	300	3	16		148	3 00	3 00	1 50	40 56	1 50	1 96	24 00	225 00	1380	77
" " S. S.	" "	Bethesda, S. S.	4	3	5	2	134	4	3	49	41	6 77	7 71		52 02	5 85	7 87	12 00	197 50		43
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station, N. C.	St. Andrew's, S. S.	7	7	2	3	152		3	73	25	5 00	8 00	3 75	2 00	5 00	8 00	6 00	208 00		2 25
" " "	" " "	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	4	2	2		64		1	25	33				10 00	1 00		12 00			
" " "	" " "	Barbacue, S. S.					134														
N. T. Bowden, Teacher	Little's Mills, "																				
Joseph Evans, P.	St. Pauls, "	St. Paul's, P.	6	4	4	2	148	2	7	72	100	8 00		12 00	54 00	8 00	8 00	18 00	425 00	277	19
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LAUREL HILL CHURCH, April 24, 1880.

By order of the Presbytery:

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

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One Hundred and Thirty-Fifth Sessions.

Shoe Heel Church, Robeson County, N.C. October 4th, 1880.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Joseph Evans, the last Moderator present, from Psalm, 119: 113 verse, "I hate vain thoughts: but Thy Law do I love".

After Sermon, Rev. Joseph Evans, the last Moderator present, called the Presbytery to order and conducted the Sessions with prayer.

Ministers present. Ministers present – Hector McLean, J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay D.D. Andrew McMillan, D.D. McBryde, Matthew Leon, Joseph Evans, Archibald McQueen, Angus N. Ferguson, K. M. McIntyre and Roger Martin.

Churches represented. Churches represented – Antioch, Hiram Conoly; Ashpole, Nathaniel McNair; Bethel, David A. McDiarmid; Buffalo, H. J. Dennis; Carthage, D. McS. Kelly; Centre, David Watson; Cypress, D. G. Smith; Carmron, Daniel McIntyre; Flat Branch, Allen Shaw; Galatia, N. B. Blue; Laurel Hill, H. McN. Lytch; Laurinburgh, N. A. Currie; Lebanon, A. S. Baker; Lumber-Bridge, Peter Brown; McPherson's, Dr. A. McDougald; Marks Creek, John A. McDonald; Montpelier, J. E. Purcell; Philadelphus, James McCallum; Sandy Grove, N. S. Blue; Smyrna, Ricardo McRae; St. Andrew's, David Parish; Shoe Heel, R. McCaskill, and Union, N. J. Blue.

Ministers Absent. Ministers Absent – G. M. Gibbs, James McLean, N. J. Gordon, J. H. Coble, H. G. Neill, David Fairley, Wm. S. Lacy and Daniel A. McRae.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented – Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethesda, Bon Salem, Bluff, China Grove, Church of the Covenant,

Continued. Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Iona, Long-Street, Lumberton, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sharon, St. Paul's, Sherwood and Zion.

Mod. & Clerks Chosen. Rev. D. D. McBryde was chosen Moderator and Messrs D. McIntyre and Alexander McRae temporary Clerks.

Corresponding members. On motion, Rev. Messrs S. C. Alexander of Mecklenburg Presbytery, A. D. Hepburn D.D. of Concord Presbytery, and Wander McNair D.D. of the Presbytery Ouachita, being present, were invited to sit as Corresponding members.

Presbytery took a recess of one hour.

After recess Presbytery met. On motion, the reading of the Minutes of last Spring Sessions, was omitted.

D. Fairley & P. Ray. Rev. David Fairley and P. Ray, Ruling Elder of Mineral Spring Church, appeared in Presbytery, and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

D. A. McRae-L. A. McLean & F. P. Harrell dismissed. Letters were read from Rev. David A. McRae, and Messrs Lauchlin A. McLean and Frank P. Harrell, Licentiates, labouring outside of our bounds by permission; Whereupon, Mr. McRae's reasons for absence were sustained; Mr. McLean was permitted to labour outside of our bounds six months longer, and Mr. Frank P. Harrell was dismissed, at his own request, to put himself under the care of Concord Presbytery, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to give him the usual testimonials.

Rev. J. Stacy Letter from. A Communication from Rev. James Stacy, Chairman of the General Assembly's Committee on the Sabbath, was read and ordered to be placed in the hands of Rev. Roger Martin, Chairman of our Presbyterial Committee

on that subject.

Hepburn-D. College. On motion, it was made the order of the day for to-morrow at half past 10 o'clock A.M. to hear Dr. Hepburn on the interests of Davidson College.

Religious Exercises. The Moderator announced as the Committee on Religious Exercises, Rev. Roger Martin, Rev. A. A. Gorgerson and Mr. Daniel Watson.

Rev. N. McQueen reports. Rev. N. McQueen reported verbally, that he had visited the western portion of Moore County.

Rev. S. C. Alexander. Rev. S. C. Alexander, who is labouring at Mt. Carmel, Harmony, Rockingham and Mark's Creek Churches, gave an encouraging report of his labours.

Com. on Miss. field. On motion, a Committee, consisting of Rev. Messrs N. McKay D.D. A. A. Gorgerson and Ruling Elder, N. A. Curtis was appointed, in concert with the Committee of Home Missions, in reference to the above field.

Com. on Narrative. The Moderator announced as the Committee on the Narrative to Synod Rev. Messrs R. M. McIntyre, Hector McLean, and James McCallum, Ruling Elder.

Verbal Reports. Presbytery then heard verbal reports from our Churches on the state of Religion.

The Moderator announced the following Committees, viz:

Com. Assembly. Committee on Minutes of General Assembly - Rev. Messrs J. Evans, Niels McKay D.D. and Alexander McRae.

Systematic Be. On Systematic Beneficence - Rev. Roger Martin and Ruling Elders Rod McCaskill and Alexander McRae.

Nominations. On nominations - Rev. Messrs M. McQueen, A. McMillan and Dr. A. McDougald.

Finance - Finance - Rev. Messrs D. Fairley, A. McQueen and H. J. Dennis.

Resolution. A resolution was introduced by Dr. McKay, which was read and laid on the table until to-morrow morning.

Report. The Committee on Religious Exercises reported in part.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place to-morrow morning at half past 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

Shoe Heel, N.C. October 15th 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment as was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, Corrected and Approved.

A. J. Goodman. Mr. A. J. Goodman, Ruling Elder of Rockingham Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Lacy & Hill. Rev. Wm. S. Lacy and Rev. R. G. Hill appeared in Presbytery and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

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Calls & Supplies. The Moderator announced as the Committee on Calls and Supplies, Rev. Messrs. Wm. S. Lacy and A. McQueen and Mr. Allen Shaw.

Coloured Churches. On motion, the resolution laid upon the table yesterday afternoon was taken up, amended and adopted, and is as follows: Resolved, That Rev. A. McQueen be and is hereby requested to use his personal influence, and that of the Presbytery, in securing the connection between the Coloured Churches within our bounds and the Coloured Presbytery in South Carolina.

The following orders of the day were fixed:

Orders of the day. 1st Order of the day for to-morrow morning; Report of the Committee on Home Missions.

2nd. Report of Agent for Foreign Missions at 11 o'clock A. M.

3rd. Report on Publications first order to-morrow afternoon.

Report of Committee on the Sabbath, first order for this afternoon.

Com'rs to Gn. Ass. Rev. Joseph Evans and Mr. Daniel McIntyre, Commissioners to the last General Assembly, reported that they had discharged that duty.

Treasurer's Statement. The Treasurer presented and read his statement of receipts and disbursements of funds from April 1st 1880 to September 30th 1880, which was referred to Finance Committee.

Rev. J. H. C. Rev. John H. Cobb appeared in Presbytery and took his seat.

D. College. The hour for the order of the day having arrived, the Report of the Trustees of Davidson College was read and ordered to be placed on file, when Rev. A. D. Hepburn D.D. made an able an interesting address in reference to that valuable Institution, whereupon the following paper was unanimously adopted, viz:

Dr. Hepburn.

Paper adopted. Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville has heard with great satisfaction the Report of the Trustees and the statements of the Rev. Dr. Hepburn, President of Davidson College, with reference to the interests of that Institution, and rejoices in the bright outlook - evinced in a patronage increasing in area and numbers; in the safe condition of the finances; in the high moral tone and in the thoroughness and completeness of the work done, as attested in every way, and heartily commend

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Coloured Churches. On motion, the resolution laid upon the table yesterday afternoon was taken up, amended and adopted, and is as follows: Resolved, That Rev. A. McLeod be and is hereby requested to use his personal influence, and that of the Presbytery, in securing the connection between the Coloured Churches within our bounds and the Coloured Presbytery in South Carolina.

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To be published. It was further Resolved, that the Report be furnished to the Editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian with a request to publish.

Presbytery took recess until 2.0'clock.

After recess Presbytery met.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after 4.0'clock this afternoon, was granted to Rev. Nicl. McRae D.D. Mr. Allen Shaw, Rev. K. M. McIntyre, P. Ray, N. R. Blue, H. J. Dennis and David Parish.

Complaint. A Complaint against the decision of the Session of Mineral Spring Church was read, whereupon

J. Committee. the Moderator announced the following Judicial Committee, viz: Rev. Joseph Evans, Rev. Nicl. McRae D.D. and Mr. R. McCaskill, to whom were referred the Complaint and accompanying papers.

Report on the Sabbath. The order of the day for this hour, was taken up, when Rev. Roger Martin read a report on the observance of the Sabbath, which was accepted, discussed and adopted and is as follows, viz:

Your Committee beg leave to make the following Report: 1st They are fully persuaded that the subject intrusted to them is of the greatest practical importance and of a most momentous nature.

That the sanctity of the Sabbath, and its Careful observance, is one of the two great foundation stones upon which society rests, and upon which depends the perpetuity of all good social, political and religious institutions.

Report on Sabbath Continued. That it, like the marriage relation, the integrity of which is the other great foundation stone of society, has survived the Fall, having its origin in Paradise, while man was yet in a sinless state. That inasmuch as "the Sabbath was made for man" the highest interests of his nature demand a most scrupulous and religious observance thereof, and that his civilization, prosperity and happiness, both temporal and spiritual, depend upon it.

That both revelation and reason, both the teachings of God's Word and human history and experience concur in a most remarkable way in demonstrating that the sanctity of this day and its due observance are essential to the highest interests of the race: that men and nations are pious and prosperous in proportion to this religious regard for this day, and that God has appeared more jealous and careful to vindicate the Fourth Commandment by swift and terrible providential judgments, following immediately upon the heels of the transgression, than, perhaps, any other, — or, in other words, His providential judgments, punishing the violations of the Sabbath, have been more marked, clear and unmistakable, than in reference to other sins. That it is of the greatest possible importance to the health and prosperity of the people, to the cause of religion, the purity and piety of the Church, and to the advancement and perpetuity of good morals, that all our citizens, and especially God's professed people, should be carefully instructed as to the nature, tendency and design of the Sabbath, and be

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encouraged and stimulated to a more scrupulous and devout observance of the day.

2. Your Committee are more and more led to fear, from what they can gather, that, while there is in our Churches especially, and in our Communities generally a degree of decent external observance of the Sabbath, yet the real desecrations of the day are both alarming and wide-spread, and that these prevail to a painful extent even among professed Christians and Church members: that the frequent and flagrant violation and disregard of the Sabbath among worldly men, and on the part of national, state and local governments, of railroad and other corporations, and of public carriers, is due to a large extent to the example of Christians in their less flagrant, but not less real violations of the day, to their patronage of sabbath-breakers and of their works, and to their failure to frown and protest against them in a positive and unequivocal way; that many Christians are losing sight of the great fact, that the morality of the Sabbath - that is, its obligation and sanctity - consists in honestly giving God fully one seventh of our time; and that hence, while our Churches are filled of a sabbath morning in a gratifying way by our people generally, manifesting a commendable degree of reverence and decorum, yet many are found, even about the house of God, spending the time before and after the public services in gossip about politics, news, farming, business

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and other equally secular and worldly matters; while many more divide the afternoon of the holy sabbath to neighboring, visiting, reading secular newspapers or worldly books, strolling over the farm looking after the state of their flocks, herds and crops, or in some other mild form of worldly self-indulgence; while others again do not hesitate to begin or end a journey on the sabbath; thus, in these various ways, clearly robbing God of a portion of this day and desecrating it; that many of our families, while they are careful as households to attend upon the Sanctuary during the earlier part of the sabbath, are not careful to reverence the latter part, as families in their homes, as becometh pious people; and that comparatively few give any portion of the day to special household instruction in our Catechisms and in the Word of God, and to family worship.

3. Your Committee is clearly of the opinion that a reformation in the observance of the Sabbath ought to begin first in the Church, and among the Lord's professed people; and that until we can educate Christians up to a higher standard of sabbath-observance, and to a more perfect example in this direction, there is very little reasonable ground to hope that the attitude of governments and corporations, and the general aspect of the world will materially change for the better as respects the Sabbath.

4th Your Committee is also clearly of the opinion, that Presbytery, as a Court of the Lord of the

Report continued.

Sabbath, ought earnestly to turn its attention in this direction, and use the most strenuous efforts that wisdom may dictate to bring all the people and Churches under its care to a more general, scrupulous and devout observance of the Lord's day. For we are fully persuaded that more is to be feared for the Cause of pure religion from the frequent efforts now made in portions of our land to undermine the Sabbath, to weaken its sanctity and to prostitute it from its holy and spiritual uses as a beautiful type and emblem of heaven to a day of mere recreation and amusement; and from the too prevalent tendency to a lax and imperfect observance of it, than from any, or all other phases of infidelity that have manifested themselves in our times.

From these considerations your Committee are led to offer respectfully the following recommendations

1. That Presbytery endeavour by all proper methods to continue the agitation of this important subject.

2. That at each Fall meeting of Presbytery a Committee be appointed to serve for the year.

3. That Presbytery appoint one of its members to preach an annual sermon on the subject before the Body.

4. That Presbytery appoint a Committee to prepare a special pastoral letter on the subject of the Sabbath, to be sent down to our Churches. Said letter shall mention in detail and

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particularly the various ways in which christians generally violate the Sabbath, or are liable to do so, and warning our people against them.

It shall be the duty of this Committee to examine and study, as far as practicable, the existing literature on this subject, and select and recommend suitable brief practical treatises in tract form for general distribution among our Church members; and that Presbytery take such measures as may be in its power to secure their general dissemination and reading.

5. That each minister under our care be earnestly requested to preach to each of his Churches one sermon at least each year on the observance of the Sabbath.

Concluded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Roger Martin
J. H. Coble } Committee.

Report of Jud. Com.

The Judicial Committee submitted their report on the complaint of Mr. N. D. J. Clark, which was accepted, and, after some discussion, was again re-committed to the same Committee.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Shoe Heel, October 16th 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. Mr. Adams.

Rev. Mr. Adams of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Agent of Robeson County Bible Society, being present, was invited to sit as a visiting member.

Narrative to Synod.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Narrative to Synod presented their report, which was read, accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body. It is as follows:

The Committee appointed to prepare a Narrative to Synod on the State of Religion within the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery, make the following report:

First. As to the measure of the gift of the Spirit in the work of winning souls to Christ in Conversion, the following facts may be noted:

1st. Three Churches report an aggregate addition of 65 persons, making an average of about 21 members to each of these Churches.

2nd. The remaining Churches report additions of from one to five and six.

3rd. Three Churches report no additions.

These facts show that, while there has been no very remarkable work of converting grace in any of our Churches, there has been a general progress, from which we have reason to be thankful and encouraged.

Second. As to the state of spiritual life manifested in the general work of perfecting the saints and the edifying of the body of Christ, the following facts may be noted: 1st. As to what may be called family religion, (a.) family worship is observed in many families, but it is to be feared that the majority neglect it.

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(b.) religious instruction of the children by the parents, when they come in and when they go out, when they rise up and when they sit down, — is attended to in a general way in most cases, but most parents seem to come very far short of their duty in this respect; (c.) Sabbath-schools are in all the congregations with very few exceptions, many of them quite flourishing. There is encouraging interest in the Sabbath-School work in the Presbytery.

2nd. All the Churches enjoy the regular, stated ministrations of the word and ordinances except one, and arrangements are expected to be made at this meeting of Presbytery to supply that. The Churches generally report, that attendance upon the Sabbath ministrations is good, and the attention and interest manifestly increasing.

3rd. All the Churches contribute to the various benevolent objects of the Church, and many of them show considerable advancement in liberality over previous years.

These are the sum of the facts showing the state of religion in our bounds.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Place & time of Spring meeting.

Presbytery proceeded to select the place for holding our Spring sessions, when Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C. was unanimously chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1881, at 11 o'clock A.M. as the time.

Complaint again.

The Committee on the complaint of Mr. Clark against reported, which report was accepted; and after further remarks, it was Resolved, that the case be

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put pond until our Spring Sessions, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to cite the Session of Mineral Spring Church, and such witnesses as the parties may request, to appear at Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1881.

Leave of Absence.

Rev. R. Martin obtained leave of absence until to-morrow morning, in order to visit Mr. D. S. Morrison, a Ruling Elder of this Church, who is very ill, and, on motion, Presbytery united in earnest prayer on his behalf, and, at the request of the Moderator, Rev. Evander McNair D.D. led in prayer.

D. S. Morrison.

Rev. D. Fairley China Grove.

Rev. David Fairley tendered his resignation as Pastor of China Grove Church, and the Church concurring therein by letter, said relation was dissolved, and Rev. D. D. McBryde was appointed to preach there and declare said Church vacant.

Minutes of Gen. Ass.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made their report, which was received, and after some discussion, was re-committed, and Rev. W. S. Lacy was added to the Committee.

Report on Home Missions

The Committee on Home Missions made their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Home Missions Committee would present to Presbytery, for the six months ending October 1st 1880, the following report:

1st As to Contributions to Sustentation. For the past six months your Treasurer reports nineteen Churches as contributing to this cause $59.00. Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee 8.85. Leaves balance $50.15.

Home Missions continued.

Add balance on hand April 1st after paying Assembly's Committee 15 per cent $81.68. Gives — $131.83. to be appropriated by Presbyterial Committee within our own bounds.

From this sum the Churches of Carmichael, Salem and Rockingham will have to be aided for the current year. For the first six months of the present quarter the Churches of Carmichael and Salem have received an appropriation of $25. each.

2nd As to Contributions to Evangelistic Work. During the past six months 15 Churches have contributed to this fund $52.08. Add the balance on hand April 1st which had not paid the 15 per cent to Assembly's Committee and which gives to the Credit of this fund — $110.87. $162.95. Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee 24.44. This leaves to be expended in our own bounds $138.51.

No appropriation has yet been paid for the current year, but a portion of it may have to be applied to meeting the $50. promised Rev. A. McQueen by Presbytery for preaching to the Coloured people at Mountain Grove and McPhatter's Churches one fourth of his time for a year from the last Spring meeting of Presbytery. Such an appropriation from this fund may not be necessary if the annual collection for the Coloured Evangelistic Fund, ordered by Presbytery in October, proves adequate.

For the Coloured Evangelistic Fund only one Church is reported as contributing during the past six months, and the Treasurer reports to the credit of this fund October 1st $13.50. It is to be hoped that other Churches, during the month, will attend to this collection and forward

Home Miss. Continued.

their contributions promptly.

3rd. As to Contributions to Invalid Fund.—
In the past six months 25 Churches have contributed to this Cause $115.78. Last year, during the same period 19 Churches gave $89.69. Some improvement appears in the number of Churches contributing and in the amount.

Yet one half of our Churches are not reported as giving anything to aid disabled Ministers, or their widows and orphans, and we trust that some of them may bring their contributions to the present meeting.

For the year ending July 1st 1881, your Committee has asked the following appropriations:

For Mrs John M. Sherwood — $80.00.
The first installment of $40. has been paid this month.

4th. As to Supplies for vacant Churches.—
Long-Street—Rev. D. Fairley 1. Sabbaths and Sacraments.
Lizza — Rev. A. McKay D.D. 1. " " "
Lebanon—Rev. E. McFarlane D.D. by request 1. " " "
China Grove—Rev. J. P. McPherson 1. " " "

Respectfully Submitted.
H. G. Heile. Chairman.

Concluded.

Foreign Missions.

The Agent of Foreign Missions, Rev. M. McLean, read his report, which was accepted and adopted and is as follows:

Your Agent, in presenting his report, would first acknowledge the obligations due our Divine Master for the measure of success with which He has crowned our efforts to send the Gospel to the perishing nations of the earth. The prospect is growing brighter along the whole length of our missionary operations.

Foreign Missions Continued.

1st. There has been a larger number of souls born into the Kingdom of Christ during the past year than in any year of our previous history. God has greatly blessed the labours of our missionaries in building up His Kingdom among the heathen.

2nd. The debt of over $9.000. has been nearly cancelled, and the contributions of last year exceeded those of preceding by $2.250.23.

3rd. Our Committee has been able to send out more missionaries to re-inforce the overworked brethren in the field within the past few months than during any previous year of the last five.

Rev. Mr. Sydney Stricker and wife have sailed for China; Rev. Mr. Phipps and wife have sailed for Greece, and Rev. Mr. Wardlaw and wife have sailed for Formosa, to take the place of Rev. Mr. Thompson who died in a few months after he reached his field of labour.

Mr. Rayland has gone to teach in Spencer Academy and Miss Hewiston to teach in Brownsville; making in all eight new missionaries.

Our whole missionary force has been thus increased to ninety one persons engaged in the various departments of missionary work, and all mainly dependent upon the contributions of our people for their support.

Our report to the last General Assembly shows that the seven of our fifty Churches gave $407.84; twelve Ladies Missionary Societies gave $427.20; Sabbath Schools $22.00. Presbyterial Collection $38.18. In all $859.09. This is an advance of $82.09, upon the previous year. This report also shows that twelve Ladies Societies gave $19.36. more than all the Churches

F. Missions Continued.

of the Presbytery.

Since our last meeting of Presbytery forty-one of our Churches are reported in The Missionary as giving $557.11. eleven Missionary Societies $230.30. Sabbath-Schools $56.47. Presbyterial Collections $30.18. Miscellaneous $20.00. Total $894.06.

This shows an increase over last year, both in the number of contributing Churches and in the amount contributed. These things are encouraging. And yet, while we have so much to gladden our hearts, there are facts to confess and lament.

1st. Our Church last year contributed only forty cents per member, while other Churches are giving two or three times as much per member.

2nd. We have less than two per cent of our ministerial force in the foreign field. In view of these things—

Resolved, That the last Wednesday in October be observed as a day of special prayer for Foreign Missions in all our Churches.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

M. McQueen, Agent.

Collection $40.25.

Pending the adoption of the above report, addresses were made by Dr. Keplerson and others, and a collection taken up amounting to $40.25.

Minutes of Gen. Ass.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported as follows:

The Committee appointed to examine the Minutes of the General Assembly, beg leave to report that they have discharged that duty, and deem it necessary to call the attention of the Presbytery to the following points, viz: page 191. with reference to the revised Directory for Worship:

Continued.

Your Committee recommend that a special Committee be appointed to carefully examine the same and report to the next meeting of Presbytery appropriate action thereon.

Page 194. with reference to the Narrative to the General Assembly, attention of Presbytery is called to the request of the Assembly to the Presbyteries.

Page 221. with reference to the Assembly's request to have more careful reports concerning the work done for the spiritual welfare of the Coloured people, your Committee recommend that it be enjoined upon our Ministers and Sessions to report fully to the Committee of Home Missions what has been done in our Churches in this way.

With reference to other matters specially emphasized by our General Assembly, such as relate to Foreign and Home Missions, Sabbath-schools, Colportage and the Sabbath, inasmuch as these subjects are intrusted to special Committees, we recommend no separate action.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Committee on Directory for Worship.

On motion, the above report was adopted, and the following Committee appointed to report on the revised Directory for Worship, viz: Rev. Messrs H. G. Reid, David Fairly and Mr. D. A. McDiarmid.

Report of Committee on Assessment.

The Committee to readjust the assessment on the Churches to the Presbyterial Fund, submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

On October 1st, 1880 on funds due from Sorrelly Churches — $140.38.

Cash on hand — — — — — — — 98.22.

Unpaid Assessments and cash on hand $238.60.

The liabilities of Presby annually will be — —

Assessment continued.

Printing Minutes Spring and Fall		$75.00.
Assessment of Synod		" 40.00
Assessment of General Assembly		" 75.00.
Pro Commissioners to same		" 75.00.
Pro Trustees to Davidson College $12. each		" 48.00
Salary of Stated Clerk		" 50.00.
Salary of Treasurer		" 50.00.
Stationary for Stated Clerk and Treasurer		" 10.00
Amount to be raised annually		$423.00.
Dec General Assembly for two years	$180.00	
Dec Synod this fall	40.00	$220.00.
Cash on hand	$98.22.	
Due from Churches	140.38.	=$238.60
Assetts		238.60.
Liabilities	$250.00.	
Subtract	" 238.60.	

Leaving a deficit $11.40. To meet the annual expenses of Presbytery, and we recommend the following Assessment, viz:

New Assessment.

Antioch	$11.00.	Buffalo	$25.00.
Ashpole	" 25.00.	Carthage	" 12.00.
Barbacue	" 10.00.	Centre	" 15.00.
Bethlehem	" 3.00.	China Grove	" 5.00.
Bethel	" 10.00.	Church of Covenant	" 5.00.
Bethesda	" 12.00.	Cypress	" 5.00.
Big Salem	" 10.00.	Euphronia	" 10.00
Bluff	" 12.00.	Fayetteville	" 25.00
Big Rockfish	" 8.00.	Flat Branch	" 3.00.

Assessment continued.

Galatia	$12.00.	Mt. Tabor	$5.00.
Harmony	" 5.00.	Pee Dee	" 10.00.
Iona	" 10.00.	Philadelphus	" 12.00.
Laurel Hill	" 20.00.	Rockingham	" 5.00.
Laurinburgh	" 10.00.	Salem	" 5.00.
Lebanon	" 5.00.	Sardis	" 10.00
Long Street	" 5.00.	Sandy Grove	" 10.00.
Lumber Bridge	" 8.00.	Sharon	" 5.00.
Lumberton	" 10.00.	Smyrna	" 15.00.
McPherson	" 8.00.	St. Paul's	" 15.00.
Mark's Creek	" 3.00.	St. Andrews	" 6.00.
Macedonia	" 5.00.	Shiloh	" 6.00.
Mineral Spring	" 8.00.	Liza	" 10.00
Montpelier	" 10.00.	Union	" 20.00.
Mt Carmel	" 3.00.	Shoe Heel	" 10.00
Mt Pisgah	" 5.00.	Cosmosow	" 3.00.

Concluded. Total assessments $480.00

Recess. Presbytery took recess until 2 O'clock P.M.

Churches visited. After recess Presbytery met. The visiting Committee of Fourth District reported Macedonia, Mineral Spring and Bethesda visited.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Peter Brown, N. A. Currie, Hiram Conoly, H. M. T. Lytch, A. F. McAuley, Rev. A. McMillan and Rev. J. H. Cobb.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies made the following report which was accepted and adopted:

The following applications have been made to us:

Galatia Church asks for one third of the time of Rev.

Calls & Supplies

David Fairley on a salary of $250. The Committee recommend that the request be granted.

Sandy Grove Church asks for one third of the time of Rev. David Fairley on a salary of $200. per annum.

The Committee recommend that the request be granted.

McPherson Church, providentially hindered from making its application in the Spring, asks for one half of the time of Rev. George M. Gibbs for the current year on a salary of $250. per annum. The Committee recommend that the request be granted.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Report on Nominations.

The Committee on Nominations reported in part, which was adopted and the Committee continued and ordered to report at Synod. The report is as follows:

Trustees of Presbytery:

In place of Mr. W. B. Wright, deceased, N. W. Ruth Esqr.

In place of B. Fuller, removed from Fayetteville, E. J. McPherson.

For Publication - Rev. Joseph Evans, Agent.

For Foreign Missions - Rev. D. D. McBryde, Agent.

Home Missions - same Committee continued.

Education - Rev. Roger Martin, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted.

Publication

Rev. David Fairley, Agent of Publication, submitted his report, which was accepted and adopted:

Your Agent of Publication made report to Presbytery for the past six months, ending October 1st 1880, that Twenty-four Churches have contributed $118.59.

It is gratifying that the outlook of this cause is much more hopeful than for some years past.

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Books are furnished at a discount of forty per cent to Presbyteries purchasing for Colportage, and at 25 per cent to Ministers, Sabbath-Schools and Church Libraries.

When entirely relieved of the debt which has burdened its operations, it will be much more efficient in accomplishing its great purposes.

To the Colportage fund Ten Churches have contributed $23.09, making in all to the credit of this fund $58.62.

In view of the importance of this cause -

Resolved, That the annual collection for Publication required by the General Assembly be strictly observed.

Resolved 2d - That those Churches which have failed to contribute to the cause of Colportage be required to do so as early as possible, in order that we may have a colporteur in the field.

Concluded.

Systematic Beneficence.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported, recommending that there be no change, and that the Stated Clerk be ordered to send the same report to Synod that was sent to the General Assembly last Spring. This report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Overtures to Synod.

Overtures to Synod No 1.

No. 1. The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to answer the question: Is it proper for a Ruling Elder, in closing a prayer meeting, to pronounce the Apostolic Benediction?

No. 2.

No 2. The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully overtures the Synod of North Carolina to answer the question:

In the case of definite suspension by a Church Session of a member of the Church, when the time expires for which

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the member is suspended, does he resume his place, as a member of the Church, without any specific action of the Session in the premises?

In the Event there is no evidence satisfactory to the Session of repentance for the offence for which the definite suspension is inflicted, is further action called for on the part of the Session?

Concluded.

Statistical Report to Synod.

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The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 19 Ministers, and have under their care 50 Churches, 2 Licentiates, and one Candidate for the Gospel Ministry; that on the 16th day of November 1879, they installed Rev. Roger Martin, Pastor of Centre Church, and on the Evening of the same day they installed him Pastor of Shoe Heel Church; that on the 23rd day of November 1879, they installed Rev. John H. Coble, Pastor of Laurinburgh Church; that on the 24th day of April 1880, they licensed, as probationers to preach the Gospel, Messrs Frank P. Harrell and Lauchlin A. McLean; that on the 15th day of October 1880, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. David Fairley and China Grove Church, and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day, they dismissed Licentiate Frank P. Harrell at his own request, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Concord, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to give him the usual testimonials; and that the next Stated meeting of Presbytery

will be held at Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1881, at 11 o'clock A.M.

Respectfully submitted.
J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Finance.

The Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and they were ordered to pay over the money in their hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery. (See appendix A.)

Resolutions docketed.

It was ordered that the resolutions of last meeting of Presbytery, found on page 15 of printed Minutes, which were docketed, and which, by an oversight of the temporary Clerk, were marked adopted, remain on the docket until our Spring meeting.

Vote of thanks.

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville records its earnest appreciation of the cordial and delightful hospitality extended its members by the members of Shoe Heel and Centre Churches, and the Community, and returns its hearty thanks for the courtesies and kind attentions shown the Body.

Moderator nominated.

On motion, Rev. Roger Martin was nominated as Moderator for our Spring Sessions.

Education.

Rev. J. H. Coble made a verbal report on Education, which was accepted.

300 Copies to be printed.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 300 Copies of our present Minutes.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet

in the City of Raleigh, N.C. during the sessions of Synod, at the Call of the Moderator.

Closed with singing, prayer and Apostolic Benediction.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting,

Raleigh, N.C. November 11th 1880.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, at the Call of the Moderator, and was opened with prayer.

Ministers present; J. P. McPherson, D. D. McBryde, M. McLean and A. K. Ferguson.

Ruling Elders present; James S. McLean, Centre Church, Rev. M. McLean, Chairman of Committee on Nominations made a final report, recommending, that Mr. John A. McAllister be re-elected a Trustee of Davidson College for four years, which was adopted.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C. Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1881, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

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APPENDIX.

COLLECTED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE OCTOBER 1880.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Sustentation	Evangelistic Work	Invalid Fund	Foreign Missions	Education	Publication	Presbyterial	Colportage	Coloured Evangelistic	Total
Sandy Grove	$1 75	$5 42	$1 20	$11 60	$1 25	$1 25				$22 47
Mineral Spring		7 46	5 39							12 85
Mark's Creek		3 71								3 71
Flat Branch		5 00	4 00							9 00
Sharon		4 25	3 25	6 00						13 50
Bethel							10 00			10 00
Laurel Hill		11 07	13 78							29 88
Smyrna		6 51	4 53						5 03	11 03
Sherwood		4 00						5 00		9 00
Ben-Salem		2 70	1 25	4 00						7 95
Macedonia		1 80	1 00	2 00						4 80
China Grove		1 00	1 00	4 00	1 15					9 15
Ladies' Mis. Society of Philadelphus				3 44						3 44
Lebanon				3 08						3 08
Total	$3 75	$52 92	$35 39	$34 12	$2 40	$1 25	$10 00	$5 00	$5 08	$149 86

NOTE.—The Committee, in adding up above table, made a mistake of $9 00, which the Stated Clerk has taken liberty of correcting.

Respectfully submitted,

D. FAIRLEY,
A. McQUEEN.

Statement of Funds Received from April 1st, 1880, to September 30th, 1880.

HOME MISSIONS (SUSTENTATION).

1880. Sept. 30—Cash on hand as per last report,	$ 74 68	1880. Sept. 30—Cash on hand	$208 36
Contributions since by 18 Ch's,	127 58		
By Home Circle—Fayetteville,	6 10		
Total,	$208 36		$208 36

32 Churches sent no contribution.

PUBLICATION.

24 Churches contributed	$118 59	Sent to Dr. Hazen	$118 59
Since which 1 Church sent	35	Cash on hand	35
	$118 94		$118 94

25 Churches sent no contribution.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Contributed by 40 Churches, by Ladies' Mis. Soc's, Sabbath Schools and Presbyt'l collec's,	$537 27	Sent to Dr. McIlwaine	$537 27
	$537 27		$537 27

10 Churches sent no contribution.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Cash on hand as per last report,	$110 87	Cash on hand	$162 95
19 Churches contributed	52 08		
	162 95		162 95

31 Churches sent no contribution.

EDUCATION.

14 Churches gave	$41 73	P. O. Money Order sent to G. W. McRae,	$41 48
June 30—Cash received	35	Premium on Money Order	25
		Cash on hand	35
	$42 08		$42 08

36 Churches sent no contribution.

INVALID FUND.

From April 1st to Sept'r 30th, 1880, 28 Churches contributed	$115 78	Sept 23—Check sent Rev. R. McIlwaine	$115 78
Since Oct. 1st 3 Churches paid	6 58	Cash on hand	6 58
	$122 36		$122 36

Ministers absent — N. M. Gray, D. D. H. McMillan, for ... McLean, N. J. Bowden, A. McLean, and J. H. Allen.

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PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

Cash on hand April 1st, 1880..	$ 81 68	Paid out	$342 83
From April 1st to Sept. 30, 1880,	406 00	Cash on hand	144 85
Total received	$487 68		$487 68

11 Churches paid nothing.

COLOURED INSTITUTE.

Cash on hand as as per last report	$ 6 00	Sent to Mr. Searcy	$41 71
14 Churches contributed since April 1st	36 06	Cash on hand	35
	$42 06		$42 06

COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Contributed since last report	$1 00	Cash on hand	$1 00

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

Cash on hand	$100 00	Cash in bank	$100 00

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. McPHERSON,
Treasurer of Presbytery.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C.
One Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Sessions.
Buffalo Church, Moore County, N.C.
April 6th, 1881.

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Ministers absent.

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Rev. Roger Martin was chosen Moderator, and Rev. Messrs A. A. Ferguson and M. McQueen temporary Clerks.

Recess.

Presbytery took a recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met.

Minutes not read.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting of Presbytery was dispensed with.

Corresponding members.

Rev. Evander McNair D.D. of the Presbytery of Ocala; Rev. S. C. Alexander of Mecklenburg Presbytery and Rev. W. E. McGilvary of the Siam Presbytery, being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members.

R. Elders appear.

Ruling Elders J. C. Cole of Carthage Church, and D. C. Campbell of Euphronia Church, appeared in Presbytery, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled.

Rev. McQueen Iona Church.

Rev. A. McQueen, by letter assigned satisfactory reasons for absence, and tendered his resignation as Pastor of Iona Church; and said Church concurring therein by letter, said relation was dissolved, and Rev. D. A. McRae was appointed to preach there and declare said Church vacant.

Iona vs. McRae.

A communication from Iona Church, asking permission to employ Rev. D. A. McRae on half his time, was read, and placed in the hands of the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Committees.

The Moderator announced the following Committees, viz:

1. Devotional Exercises – Rev. W. S. Lacy and R. M. McIntosh.
2. Finance – K. K. Hodgin and J. S. McQueen, Ruling Elders.
3. Judicial Committee – D. D. McBryde, and K. G. Reid, Ministers, and J. B. Graham, Ruling Elder.
4. Narrative to General Assembly – J. K. Cobb and D. Fairley, Ministers, and W. J. Currie, Ruling Elder.
5. Systematic Benificence – Joseph Evans and James McQueen, Ministers, and W. J. Smith, Ruling Elder.
6. Calls and Supplies – Revs W. S. Lacy and A. A. Ferguson.
7. Reciprocal Duties – Rev. Messrs M. McQueen and D. A. McRae, and Peter Monroe, Ruling Elder.
8. Minutes of Synod – Rev. R. M. McIntyre, Rev. G. M. Gibbs and Fergus Ferguson, Ruling Elder.
9. Committees on Sessional Records:

Sessional Records.

1st Committee – Rev. S. C. Alexander and Dr. Small: Churches Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Bethesda, Bro. Salem, Bluff, Hat Branch and Sandy Grove.

2nd Committee – Rev. D. D. McBryde, and D. J. McDonald – Antioch, Fayetteville, Big Rockfish, Buffalo, Carthage, Centre, China Grove, and Church of the Covenant.

3rd – Dr. McNair, and J. T. McNair – Cypress, Cameron, Euphronia, Galatia, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill and Laurinburgh.

4th Rev. J. Evans and Duncan Shaw – Lebanon, Long Street, Lumber Bridge, McPherson's, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mineral Spring and Montpelier.

5. Rev. D. Fairly and A. S. Baker – Lumberton, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Mt. Pisgah, Red Bee, Rockingham, Shoe Heel & Sardis.

Concluded. 4th. Rev. G. M. Gibbs and A. McLeod — Salem, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Sherrod, Zion, Union, & Philadelphus.

The following resolution was adopted —:

Resolution. Resolved; That the reports from the Churches be referred to the respective Committees without reading, except the Sessional Report and that on the State of Religion, and that these be read and then referred.

W. S. L. Rev. W. S. Lacy obtained leave of absence until 11. o'clock A. M. To-morrow.

Presbytery then heard Reports from Church Sessions.

Order of the day. It was made the order of the day for 11. o'clock A. M. to-morrow, to hear the Sermon of Rev. Joseph Evans on the observance of the Sabbath.

Reciprocal duties. Reports on Reciprocal duties were ordered to be placed in the hands of the Committee on that subject.

A. McKay. Rev. A. McKay D.D. appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Rev. S. C. Alexander received. A letter of dismission from Mecklenburgh Presbytery for Rev. S. C. Alexander, a member of that body, was read, and, being found regular and in order, he was received as a member of this Presbytery after a satisfactory examination on Theology, and his name was ordered to be enrolled.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9. o'clock A. M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Buffalo Church, April 7th 1881.

Pres. met. Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

H. Coble. Rev. John H. Coble appeared in Presbytery and gave a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Ruling Elders appear. The following Ruling Elders appeared and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled, viz; A. N. Lawrence of Macedon; Kenneth Matheson of Bon Salem; J. A. McArthur of McPherson's, J. P. Hodges of Sodus; Duncan Davis of Sherrod, and J. M. McKay of Ashfield.

A. McNair received. A certificate of dismission from Onondaga Presbytery, certifying that Rev. Evander McNair, D.D. was a member of that Presbytery in good and regular standing, and was dismissed, at his own request, to connect himself with the Presbytery of Fayetteville. After the usual examination, Dr. McNair was received by acclamation and a standing vote.

Sessional Records. On motion, Rev. W. S. Lacy was authorized to sign Sessional Records which were approved, but not signed by the Moderator at Laurel Hill a year ago.

A. McMillan. A communication from Rev. A. McMillan, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from our present sessions, was received and read.

Orders of the day.

1st Order of the day for this afternoon — to hear the Narratives.

2nd — Order for this afternoon — Election of Commissioners to the General Assembly.

3rd — For 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow — Report on Home Missions.

4th — Second order of the day for to-morrow morning — to hear the Report of the Committee on the Revised Directory for Worship.

5th — First order of the day for Saturday morning — to hear

Concluded. the report of the Agent on Sabbath Schools.

6th. Second order to hear the report of the Agent on Foreign Missions at 11 o'clock A.M. Saturday.

Rev. J. McL. Q. Rev. James McLaren appeared in Presbytery and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Sermon on the Sabbath. The hour for the order of the order of the day, viz: to hear the sermon of Rev. Joseph Evans on the Observance of the Sabbath, having arrived, he preached from Exodus 20. 8. "Remember the Sabbath-day, to keep it holy."

Recess. Presbytery then took recess for one hour.

Rev. D. Lacy D.D. After recess Presbytery met, when Rev. Dr. Lacy of Orange Presbytery, being present, was invited to sit as a corresponding member.

Leave of Absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. Neil McKay, D.D. Rev. Hector McLean, Rev. D. A. McRae, and Mr. H. H. Hodgin after this evening's session.

Rev. Mr. Clapp. Rev. Mr. Clapp of the Christian Church, being present, was invited to sit as a visiting brother. He was introduced by the Moderator to the Presbytery and recieved standing.

L. A. McL. Leave dismissed. A letter was recieved from Licentiate L. A. McLean, requesting a letter of dismission to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Grenbrier, which was granted, and the Stated Clerk was ordered to furnish him with the usual testimonials.

Dr. McKay's paper docketed. Rev. Dr. Neil McKay introduced a series of resolutions, which were accepted and placed on the Docket.

Church to be organized. A petition, praying for the organization of a Church at White Hill, and numerously signed, was read and, on motion, referred to the following special Committee, viz; Rev. Messrs M. McLean and N. S. Lacy, and Mr. S. E. Johnson, Ruling Elder.

Records approved. The Records of Philadelphia Church were approved.

Narratives read. The hour for the order of the day, viz; to hear the Narratives from Church Sessions, having arrived, said reports were read and referred to the appropriate Committee.

Reciprocal Duties. The report of the Committee on reciprocal Duties was read, accepted, and the further consideration of the matter ordered to come up with the paper on that subject.

Records approved. The following Sessional Records were approved: Lawrenburgh, Euphronia, Cypress, Laurel Hill, Harmony, Cameron, Antioch, Galatia, Fayetteville, Centre, Buffalo, Big-Rockfish, Carthage, McPherson and Lebanon.

Commissioners chosen. Presbytery took up the order of the day for this hour, when Rev. D. D. McBride was chosen as clerical Commissioner to the General Assembly, and Rev. Roger Martin alternate; and Mr. James S. McLean, Ruling Elder of Centre Church, principal, and Mr. Walter J. Smith, Ruling Elder of Bluff Church, alternate.

Sardis Ch. Sessions. Sardis Church, Cumberland County, N.C. was chosen as the place for holding our Fall Sessions, the time to be fixed hereafter.

Bills & Overtures.

The Moderator announced the following Committee on Bills and Overtures, viz; Rev. Evander M. Naar D.D. and Rev. W. S. Lacy, and John B. Graham, Ruling Elder.

Complaint.

It was made the first order of the day for tomorrow afternoon to hear the Complaint of N. D. J. Clark against the Session of Mineral Spring Church.

Records approved.

The following Sessional Records were approved; Ashfolo, Bluff, Bethel and Bethsda, and the following with exceptions, viz; Lumber-Bridge, Bon Salem and Flat Branch.

Visiting Committees.

The Committees of Visitation generally reported, that, owing to the inclemency of the weather, but little had been done.

Call &c.

A Call from Harmony Church for the pastoral services of Rev. S. C. Alexander, and requests from Mt. Carmel and Mark's Creek Churches for the ministerial services of Mr. Alexander, were read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Adjourned.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at 10. o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Buffalo Church, April 8th 1881.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Ruling Elders—

Duncan Brown, Ruling Elder of Long-Creek, and Neill McFadyen Ruling Elder of Bethel, appeared in Presbytery and assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness and their names were enrolled.

Records approved.

The following Sessional Records were approved; Salem, Union, Smyrna, Sharon, Sherwood and St. Pauls.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's Report was then read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Funds from Lauchinburgh.

It was ordered that funds from Lauchinburgh Church, which reached the Treasurer April 4th after his account for the year (March 31st) be inserted in his annual Report.

Report on Home Missions.

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, viz; the report on Home Missions, the Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hill, read said Report, which was accepted, and is as follows, viz;

Report on Home Missions.

The Committee of Home Missions would make to Presbytery for the year ending April 1st 1881, the following report: 1st As to Ministerial Support.

Ministerial Support.

There are on the roll of Presbytery nine teen ordained Ministers. Six teen of these are wholly engaged in the work of the ministry, or in preaching the Gospel habitually every Sabbath, two are occupied in teaching and one has been labouring outside of our bounds much of last year. Four Pastorates in the Presbytery are probably unable to give salaries of $800. The average salary promised labouring Ministers in the Presbytery is about $739. This is an advance of $25. on last year.

This average would be greater if several of our Churches supplied by Ministers belonging to other Presbyteries were included.

Sustentation.

2. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

Continued. For the financial year your Treasurer mentions 47 Churches and one Ladies' Society as contributing to Sustentation $2,416.67. The number of contributing Churches reported is 17 greater than last year, and there is an increase in amount of $31.70. Only three of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the past year. Last fall the Home Missions Committee made appropriations for the last six months of 1880. as follows:

For Cameron Church $25, Salem Church $25. Rockingham Church $50. making, whole amount $100.00.

The sum of $50. from the Migfel Church fund was also appropriated to Rockingham Church, according to the order of Presbytery at its Sessions in April 1880.

For the current year the following appropriations have been made - For Salem Church $30.00.

Rockingham Church - - - - - 50.00. Total $80.00.

These amounts have been paid and have to the credit of Sustentation, after deducting the 15 per cent for the Assembly's Committee, April 1st 1881, - - - - - $111,36,

The appropriations for any other objects, and to these Churches for the remaining six months of the year, must depend upon the increased contributions to this Cause.

The liberality of our people towards the Sustentation fund should be estimated, not only by the wants of our own Churches, but by the fact that, within the bounds of our Southern Assembly, there are 600 feeble Churches needing aid and 100 Church buildings required.

5th As to Contributions and appropriations for Evangelistic work.

tinued. For the financial year your Treasurer reports 44 Churches

listic- and one Ladies' Society as contributing to this cause $205.55.

Balance on hand April 1st 1880 - - - - -	110. 87.
Whole amount - - - - - - - - -	$ 316. 42.
Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	47. 46.
Leaves to be used in Presbytery - - - -	$. 268. 96.

Six Churches are not reported as contributing anything to Evangelistic work in a year. Fifteen Churches have given to the Coloured Evangelistic Fund $. 43. 58. Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee $ 6. 52. Leaves $37.06. to be expended within our bounds. At the Spring meeting of 1880 Presbytery engaged to pay Rev. Archibald McQueen $50. for preaching to McPhatter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches one Sabbath in the month, he giving each Church a service on the same day during the year. This sum, or a part of it, corresponding to the services rendered, will have to be paid from the Coloured Evangelistic Fund, or that of Sustentation.

No appropriation from the White Evangelistic Fund has been made for a year. There now stands to the credit of this fund, after deducting 15 per cent for the Assembly's Committee, $. 268. 96. It rests with the Presbytery to take steps to employ an Evangelist within our own bounds, or to direct that this money be forwarded to the Assembly's Treasury are used in more destitute regions.

If we could employ a suitable Minister, who could combine the functions of Evangelist with those of a Colporteur, the best results might be reached and an adequate support provided.

4th As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

Continued. The Treasurer reports as contributed to this fund during the year, by 38 Churches, the sum of $184.36. Compared with the previous year, there is an increase of 13 contributing Churches and of $47.20. in amount. Twelve of our Churches are not reported as contributing any thing to the support of disabled Ministers or of deceased Ministers' families for a year.

Last September we asked for an appropriation of $80. from this fund for Mrs Sarah D. Sherwood. This amount has been fully paid by the Assembly's Committee, and gave needed aid to one disabled by sore affliction.

5th " As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Tirza. Rev. Neil McLacy D.D. one Sabbath and Sacrament.
Lebanon - Rev. Evander McNair D.D. " " " "
Long Street - Rev. J. S. McPherson - " " " "
Jerico - Rev. D. A. McRae " " " "
Bethel Rev. Evander McNair D.D. " " " "
Montpelier - Rev. Roger Martin " " " "
Chinas Grove, Rev. G. M. Gibbs " " " "

Recommendations. Your Committee would make the following recommendations.

1st That Presbytery authorize the Home Missions Committee and the Agent of Publication and Colportage to employ, during the year, if they may be open, a Minister who shall act as Colporteur and Evangelist.

2nd. That Presbytery permit Rev D. A. McRae to labor for McPhetter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches for one fourth of his time, or more for such compensation as they may be able to give, promising him, in addition, $50. per annum from Coloured Evangelistic Fund.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted. H. G. Hill Chairman.

Adopted. The above report, after suitable remarks, was adopted.

Absence. Rev. J. H. Cobb and J. B. Graham were added to the Committee of Finance, Mr. Hodgin having obtained leave of absence.

Revised Directory. On motion, Presbytery heard the report of the Committee on the "Revised Directory for Worship", which was read by the Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hill, and adopted section and afterwards as a whole.

The first recommendation was adopted.

The second recommendation was amended and adopted.

The third recommendation was adopted.

Pending the hearing of this report, Presbytery took recess to engage in public worship.

Recess. After these exercises Presbytery resumed business, when, on motion, they took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and resumed the unfinished business.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Presbytery was granted to D. J. McDonald, A. McLeod and J. J. Weldon; and to N. J. Currie, N. McDonald, J. B. Graham, Peter Monroe, J. A. McArthur, D. A. Clark, Duncan Davis, J. F. McNair, D. Shaw, M. Calhoun, J. H. Forbes and Rev. John H. Cobb after this evening.

Revised Directory. Presbytery resumed the unfinished business, when the fourth recommendation was adopted.

Judicial Case. The order of the day for this hour, viz: the judicial case from Mineral Spring Church was taken up.

The report was made by the Chairman, Rev. D. D. McBryde, and is as follows, viz:

J. J. Clark. The Judicial Committee, to whom the Complaint of M. D. J. Clark against the action of the Session of Mineral Spring Church was referred, would report, that the case is regular and in order, and recommend that the Complaint

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Concluded. Respectfully submitted. H. G. Heilt Chairman.

Adopted. The above report, after suitable remarks, was adopted.

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Revised Directory. Presbytery resumed the unfinished business, when the fourth recommendation was adopted.

Judicial Case. The order of the day for this hour, viz: the judicial case from Mineral Spring Church was taken up.

The report was made by the Chairman, Rev. D. D. McBryde, and is as follows, viz:

A. D. J. Clark. The Judicial Committee, to whom the Complaint of A. D. J. Clark against the action of the Session of Mineral Spring Church was referred, would report, that the case is regular and in order, and recommend that the Complaint

Continued be heard, and that the order prescribed in the Book of Discipline be followed, viz:

Report adopted. 1st. That the Record of the Case Complained of be read.

2nd. That the Complaint be heard.

3rd. That the respondent be heard.

4th. That the Complainant be heard again.

5th. That Presbytery proceed to vote in the matter either to sustain, to sustain in part, or not to sustain.

6th. That a Committee be appointed to prepare a minute, expressing the sense of Presbytery, and giving the Session of Mineral Spring Church such instruction as may be deemed expedient.

Respectfully submitted, D. D. McBryde. H. G. Hill. J. B. Graham. } Committee.

Concluded. On motion, the above report was accepted and adopted.

Roll called. The Roll was then called, and members had an opportunity of expressing their views of the case.

Vote. The vote was then taken, which resulted as follows, viz: To sustain in part, 18, not to sustain 15.

The following Committee was appointed to bring in a minute expressing the views of Presbytery in the case: Rev. Evander McNair D. D. Rev. Joseph Evans and Mr. Samuel E. Johnson.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10. o'clock A. M. Tomorrow.

Closed with prayer.

Buffalo Church, April 9th 1881.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

Rev. J. L. Troy. Rev. J. L. Troy, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, being present, was invited to sit as a visiting brother.

Minutes. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Sermon to be published. The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That in view of the lucid and forcible manner in which the subject was presented, Presbytery requests Brother Joseph Evans to furnish two copies of his Presbyterial Sermon on "Sabbath Observance", one to the Editor of the North Carolina Presbyterian, and one to the Stated Clerk to be sent to the Committee of Publication with a request from Presbytery to publish, if they may be clear.

Bills & Overtures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented their report on Overture, No. 1. which was accepted, and, after some discussion was re-committed.

Revised Directory. The unfinished business of yesterday, viz: the report of the Committee on the "Revised Directory for Worship" was taken up, when the fifth amendment was approved. The Report was then approved as a whole and a copy ordered to be forwarded to Dr. Adger, Chairman of said Committee. It is as follows:

Report of the Committee on the Revised Directory for Worship.

The Committee on the Revised Directory for Worship would report for the consideration and approval of Presbytery the following amendments:

1st. On page 5. a clause forbidding public preaching of women in our Churches; and one allowing our theological students to conduct public worship in our Churches under the direction of Presbytery, our Pastors and Seminary Professors.

2nd. On page 10. Section 2. paragraph 3. Omit all after "the Minister shall proceed", and insert "to invoke the Divine"

Continued "blessing upon this sacrament in such words as this".

3rd. On page 11. section 2. paragraph 4. omit the clause, "and breaking it in the view of the people" and substitute "And" for "he" before the words shall begin" and insert "break and by this authority", after "name" in beginning of fifth line.

4th. On page 12, Chapter 6, amend by inserting "a burial reading composed of passages quoted from Old and New Testament."

5th. That the note on page 2 respecting "Particular Forms" given for any service, be placed in substance as a preamble to the Directory for Worship.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted. H. G. Hill. D. Fairley } Committee.

M. G. McK. Ruling Elder, M. G. McKenzie, obtained leave from the remaining sessions of Presbytery.

Records &c. The following Sessional Records were approved with exceptions: Mineral Spring, Mt. Pisgah and Sardis.

Messrs Round & Whitaker. Rev. Mr Round and Rev. Mr. Whitaker of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were invited to sit as visiting brethren.

Report on S. Schools. Rev. W. S. Lacy, agent for Sabbath-Schools, presented his report, which was read and approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. (See Appendix H.)

Minutes of Synod. The Committee on the Minutes of Synod submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee on the Minutes of Synod report, that they have examined the same, and find that the

Continued, Synod calls the attention of the Presbyteries to the importance of the following particulars in furthering the work of the Church, viz:

1. On the subject of Colportage, a resolution, "That all our Presbyteries be urged to enter upon the work of Colportage, and to prosecute it with vigour to the fullest extent of their means and opportunities."

2. That in the selection of Sabbath School literature, the preference be given to the publications of our own Committee by our ministers and Churches, and officers of Sabbath Schools and heads of families.

3. On the subject of ministerial support, that Synod recommend that our Presbyteries employ more vigorous efforts to so raise the standard of ministerial support, that our laboring ministry shall not be compelled to engage in secular pursuits for a maintainance.

4. Synod would urge upon the Presbyteries the adoption of such measures as are calculated to foster and develop our Pastoral Charges and feeble Churches.

The Presbytery recognises the importance of the above measures, and has already taken steps, and is, at this meeting, taking further steps to carry them into effect.

As a means of promoting ministerial support, this Presbytery enjoins upon each of its ministers to preach a sermon on this subject within this ecclesiastical year.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

Bills & Overtures. The Committee on Bills and Overtures again presented their report, as amended, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Continued. Overture, No 1. is as follows:

Mineral Spring Church, March the 20th 1881.

Overture No. 1. The Session of Mineral Spring Church would respectfully overture the Presbytery of Fayetteville to answer the question: Can a member of one Church move his membership to another Church without moving his residence?

(Signed) A. McN. Currie, Clerk of Session.

To the above overture the Committee of Bills and Overtures returned the following answer, which was accepted and adopted: That such a dismission would be disorderly and contrary to the decision of the General Assembly.

It would sanction the principle of Elective Affinity, a principle condemned in 1837, and also by later decisions of the Assembly. Cases, however, may occur, when the Sessions of our Churches must act, on use their own discretion, so as to promote the peace and unity of the Church, by giving such a member a dismission.

Overture No. 2. The same Committee presented Overture, No 2. which is in these words:

The Session of Euphronia Church respectfully Overture the Presbytery of Fayetteville to ask of the Presbytery of Orange the cession of the territory within its bounds, known as the Gulf, or so much of Chatham County as may include the Gulf and neighborhood. The river being the boundary line the territory of the Gulf is just without the present limit of Presbytery of Fayetteville. The members of the Presbyterian Church, resident there, are every one members of the Churches of Euphronia or Buffalo, with which

Continued. Congregations and the Presbytery are its social, hereditary and religious ties. In the event of a Church building and the ultimate organization of a Church, the natural alliance is with this Presbytery, and such is their desire.

And further, we believe a separation from this Presbytery, in the Event of an organization, would not only place them in a Presbytery to which they are strangers, and with no special bond, but would seriously mar and jeopard the usefulness of this Church. Under these circumstances, the Session of this Church respectfully ask your venerable body to take the steps needful that the government of Fayetteville Presbytery should include this Community.

(A true extract from the Record, pages 414 and 415.)

D. M. Sinclair Clerk.

The Committee recommend that this request be granted and that a Committee be appointed to draw an overture and present it before Orange Presbytery.

This report was adopted and a Committee appointed, consisting of Rev. Messrs W. S. Lacy and H. G. Hill, to present this case before the Presbytery of Orange.

Concluded. Minutes in judicial Case. The Committee appointed to prepare the minutes in the judicial case from Mineral Spring Church report the following:

That while the Session failed to record the reasons of their declining to ordain Mr. Clark after his Election to the office of Ruling Elder, this was their right. The Presbytery is satisfied they had reasons which influenced their action as guardians of the peace and purity of the Church.

Continued. While some of the Presbytery were willing to sustain the Complaint as a whole, still a majority were willing to sustain in part, while a respectable minority were unwilling to sustain.

The Presbytery would exhort that session to lay aside all their contentions and cultivate a spirit of brotherly love, and avoid all unkind and uncharitable remarks, and endeavor to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace.

The Presbytery further think, that the Session acted irregularly in appointing a day to ordain before they had ascertained that the way was clear.

That the action of Presbytery, in sustaining the Complaint in part, does not reverse the refusal of the Session to ordain the Complainant.

Concluded. This report was accepted and adopted.

Petition for a Church. The Committee to whom was referred the petition to organize a Presbyterian Church at White Hill, submitted their report, recommending that said petition be granted; whereupon the following brethren were appointed to organize said Church, if the way be clear, viz: Rev. Messrs Martin McQuern and William S. Lacy, and Ruling Elders, S. E. Johnson, Wander McGilvary and Daniel Campbell.

Granted. This report was accepted and adopted.

Supplies requested. The following requests for supplies were read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies, viz: From Long-Street Church for part of Rev. J. P. McWhorter's time. From McPherson Church for part of the time of Rev. G. M. Gibbs.

Report on Education. The Committee of Education presented their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Report of the Committee of Education to the Presbytery of Fayetteville, in session at Buffalo Church, April 9th 1886.

Your Committee would respectfully report that we have now only one Candidate under our care. He is successfully pursuing his literary course at Davidson College. He has been aided from the general fund to the amount of $80.00. This has not proved quite sufficient, and he has asked for and will receive a small additional amount.

The following Churches have made no contributions this year to the Cause of Education: Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethel, Bethesda, Bro Swamp, Cameron, Galatia, Harmony, Long-Street, Lock's Creek, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, St. Andrew's and Shiloh. 16.

These are the only facts on this subject that have come to the knowledge of your Committee, and they hardly afford sufficient data for an extended and formal report.

That we have now only one Candidate under our Care, and that the number of our Candidates throughout our Church generally has been for some time gradually on the decrease ought to arrest the most serious attention of all our people.

In view of these facts, your Committee would offer the following suggestions for the adoption of Presbytery.

1. That Presbytery, regarding this as one of the most vital interests of our beloved Church, and profoundly deploring the fact that the number of our Candidates for the Gospel Ministry is on the decrease, feels that this affords special cause for deep humiliation and

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earnest and importunate prayer to Almighty God on the part of all our ministers and people.

Presbytery would earnestly and affectionately recommend to all our Churches, ministers, office bearers, heads of families, parents, teachers and people, to seek the Lord, "with all their hearts," to acknowledge and confess before Him their sins, their worldliness, their short-comings, and their indifference; and by continued special supplications intreat the Great Head of the Church, to remember and visit in mercy His own vineyard, pour out upon it abundantly His Holy Spirit, and beget within it a renewed spirit of consecration and self-denial; that He would put it into the hearts of Christian parents to dedicate to the service of the Lord, in the Gospel Ministry, their sons, and awaken in them a fervent desire that they may enjoy the high honour and special privilege of seeing their sons enter the ministry, and of themselves becoming the progenitors of a race of pious and faithful heralds of the Gospel.

2. That Presbytery recommends to all our ministers to preach a special sermon to their people on this subject, calling their attention especially to the able paper published by direction of the last General Assembly, and certified by a Committee composed of Rev. Jas Brown, Hoyt, and Girardeau; and that they endeavour to arouse all our people, and especially our pious youth, to renewed zeal and to a full sense of their obligation and duty.

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3. That Presbytery directs its Committee on Education to correspond with every Church that has not contributed, and urge upon them the duty of doing so without delay.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Concluded.

Roger Martin, Chairman.

Report on Missions

Foreign Missions:

Rev. D.D. McBryde, Agent for Foreign Missions, presented his report on that subject, which was accepted, after remarks by several of the brethren:

Foreign Missions is but one branch of the Church work, but if it be estimated by its magnitude, its ultimate results, and varied interests, it will be found to transcend in importance each and, possibly, every department of the Church work of Christian beneficence.

The divinely-given Constitution of the Church, as set forth in the Covenant with Abraham, "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed", makes it a missionary Church. The great Commission of the risen Redeemer, "Go into all the world and preach to every creature", seals it as a Missionary Church. This being our charge, upon the faithful execution of which depends our interest in the monarch's utterance of the Saviour, "and lo, I am with you always to the end of the world", it is well for us to call ourselves to account;- to submit our works to the regio test of the clearly defined precepts and commands of God and His Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

The aspect of the missionary work is more encouraging

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and hopeful than it has been for several years.

Additional missionaries have, during the year, been sent to Greece, to China, to South America, and to the Indiana Mission. The work is going on with encouraging success at all our missions.

Greater numbers, in proportion to the ministerial force engaged, are being added to our Mission Churches than to the Churches in our home field. The devotion and self-consecration of the converted heathen are more decided than our converts at home. And when we remember that the number of actual converts in our foreign missionary fields give but a partial exhibit of the ever-widening influence of this glorious work, we should thank God and take courage.

The receipts into the treasury for the present year are perhaps still more encouraging. The amount, for eleven months reported, is $47,761.00, nearly $8,000.00 more than was contributed in 1880. If we add to this the sum of $2,239.00, the probable amount contributed in the last month, we will have $50,000.00 contributed during the ecclesiastical year ending the 1st of April 1881.

May we not hope that this is the dawn of a brighter day for the dark corners of the earth full of the habitations of cruelty. Still, when we look abroad over the vast fields of heathen darkness, and remember that 1,000 millions of precious souls are perishing for the bread of life, our few missions are but as oases in a vast, and yet but partially explored, desert. We should in all seriousness ask ourselves, are we laboring faithfully to come up to the full measure

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of our duty? Are we clear of the blood of these perishing souls?

We do most earnestly and solemnly appeal to the members of this Presbytery, ministers, elders and Church members, to labour more earnestly to awaken the spirit of missions throughout our Church.

While the Church as a whole has so gratifyingly increased its contributions to this cause, our Presbytery, as for several years past, is shamefully behind all the others. The per capita contributions of this whole Church is 40 cents; of the Synod of Va. it is 50 cents; of South Carolina 44 cts.; of North Carolina 38 cents.

The contributions per member of Concord Presbytery for last year was 41 cents; of Mecklenburgh it was 33. of Orange 33; of Wilmington 30. and of Fayetteville 13.

If we deduct from the contributions of Fayetteville Presbytery the amount contributed by 12 ladies missionary societies, it will leave only about $400.00 contributed by 50 Churches with over 5,000 members. This gives the humiliating result of 8 cents per member for our Presbytery. Shall we refuse or neglect to ascertain the cause of this criminal dereliction in duty? There is a grievous fault somewhere, and we have no reason to expect the blessing of the Saviour's presence with our own souls or in our Churches, only as we labour to obey His last commands, "Preach the Gospel to every creature".

The venerable Secretary of Foreign Missions informs us that $75,000, will be imperatively demanded to carry on the work with efficiency the present year. This will require an increase in the Church's contributions of about 50 per cent, or 60 cents per member. Ought the Church, bought with the blood of Jesus Christ, professedly consecrated to His service, to do less? Every page of God's Holy Word, we think, answers no.

F. Missions. A sin accursed and a sin veiled world cries no.

In conclusion, we recommend that Presbytery urge upon all its ministers to preach to their charges a sermon on Foreign Missions during the month of May, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.

D. D. McBryde Agent.

Collections $33.00. The Presbyterial Collections, at the close of the missionary meeting, amounted to $33.00, which was paid over to the Treasurer, Rev. J. H. McPherson.

Systematic Beneficence. The Committee on Systematic Beneficence presented their report, which was accepted and approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly. (See Appendix E.)

Ch. Covenant. The Treasurer was ordered to include in his report the payments from Church of the Covenant, which did not reach him until April 1st 1881.

Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies, reported as follows, which was accepted and adopted:

Report.

The Committee on Calls and Supplies would report that the following applications for ministerial labour have been referred by the Presbytery to them:

1st For Rev. S. C. Alexander: A call from Harmony Church for one fourth of his time as Pastor, pledging $200. per annum therefor. The call is found to be in order, with the exception that Chapter 6. Section 3. paragraph 7. has not been complied with by the presiding minister. As however the call is otherwise entirely in order, the Committee recommend that it be placed in the hands of Rev. S. C. Alexander.

Rev. S. C. A. Harmony.

Mr. J. H. Forbes certifies that the above call was authorized to be made.

Mt. Carmel. 2. An application from Mt. Carmel Church for one fourth of his time as Stated Supply, pledging $150. per annum therefor.

The Committee recommend that this be granted.

Rev. D. A. McR. Ione. For Rev. D. A. McRae: An application from Ione Church for one fourth of his time, pledging $250. per annum therefor. Your Committee recommend that this request be granted.

Rev. E. A. M. D.D. Bethesda. For Rev. Evander McNair D.D.: An application from Bethesda Church for one third of his time as Stated Supply, pledging $275. therefor. Your Committee recommend that this request be granted.

Rev. G. M. G. Cypress. For Rev. G. M. Gibbs: An application from Cypress Church for one fourth of his time as Stated Supply, pledging $125. therefor. Your Committee recommend, inasmuch as the field is ready, and Rev. G. M. Gibbs consents to serve there for, that the request be granted.

Rev. M. McQ. Carrollton. For Rev. Martin McQueen: An application from Carrollton Church for one service in each month, pledging $100. therefor. Your Committee recommend that, with the consent of the of the Churches of which Rev. M. McQueen is pastor, the request be granted.

Rev. G. M. G. McPherson. Rev. G. M. Gibbs: An application from McPherson Church, for one half of his time as Stated Supply, pledging $150. therefor.

Your Committee recommend, under the same conditions, that the request be granted.

Rev. J. P. McP. Long-Street. Rev. J. P. McPherson: An application from Long-Street Church for one fourth of his time as Stated Supply pledging $115. The Committee recommend that the application be placed in his hands, and, if accepted, that the request be granted.

In making these recommendations, the Committee do not design to say that these applications promising inadequate support should be accepted or encouraged, but if the ministers solicited consent to serve, that the Presbytery will so order.

And further, that the applications thus made to Presbytery should be duly certified to the body, as the wishes of Congregations, expressed, expressed in an orderly manner.

Concluded.

Wm S. Lacy, A. A. Fergusson.

Hamlet. On motion, Rev. S. C. Alexander was permitted to preach at "Hamlet" Station at discretion.

Narrative. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly reported, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body:

We regret that the reports from the Churches composing this Presbytery were not more complete. From the information furnished, however, we would report the general condition of our Churches to be far from what we would have it, but still not discouraging. The following facts appear:

1. That there is a commendable degree of fidelity on the part of our ministers, Ruling Elders and deacons in the discharge of their official duties.
2. That the attendance upon the public ministrations of the Gospel is universally good.
3. That there has been no special outpourings of the Holy Spirit within our bounds, yet there are but very few Churches which do not report accessions to their membership.
4. That many Churches deplore the prevalence of intemperance, worldly amusements and other forms of sin.

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5. That family worship is sadly neglected in many Christian households, while it is maintained in comparatively few.
6. That there is much more attention paid to catechetical, Sabbath-schools and families than formerly.
7. That there is also a marked improvement in the proper observance of the Sabbath.
8. That there is not that liberality on the part of our people that there should be in honoring the Lord with their substance.
9. That for the most part our Churches are regularly supplied with the preached word. We have only a few vacant Churches, and most of these have the prospect of supply.
10. That there is no special instruction given to the Coloured people as they have in a large measure abandoned our Churches.

In making this candid, and, in some respects humiliating report, the Presbytery look with confidence and hope to the Head of the Church for forgiveness of all sin, and for that Godly sorrow for our short-comings in duty which needeth not to be repented of.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Time of next meeting. Thursday before the third Sabbath in October 1881. 13th day of the month, at 11 o'clock, A.M. was fixed as the day for the Fall meeting of Presbytery at Sardis Church.

Prohibition. The following paper on "Prohibition" was adopted, viz:

The Presbytery of Hagerstville places on record this testimony in behalf of the great cause of moral reform now occupying the public attention of our State:

The Presbytery rejoices that our people demand, so generally, such a reform, and that such demand is so urgently and intelligently conducted; and that the civil authority of the State, in

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answer to such demand, has placed before the people the opportunity of a deliverance from these most glaring wrongs and dangers of intemperance, in the passage of a prohibitory law, subject to the adoption of the people.

In furtherance of so desirable a result as the removal of temptation by the passage of a prohibitory law, this Presbytery recommend that the ministers within our bounds preach, at an early day, on the duties and grace of temperance.

The Presbytery further recommends that, in accordance with apostolic precept and example, our Christian people do practice total abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. No power is so potent as a consistent Christian life, and nothing so harmful as the evil example of a professed disciple. For the sake of those for whom Christ died, let God's people turn away entirely from that which works so much ruin.

Concluded.

Colportage & Publication.

The report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage, Rev. Joseph Evans, was read and adopted, and is as follows: Since April 1880. 12 Churches have contributed towards Colportage $39.67. This, together with funds previously on hand $35.53. makes a total of funds available $75.20. Of this $30. have been invested in books, which are now in the hands of Agent ready for use of Colporteur.

We beg to submit the following suggestions: That the Agent of Colportage be authorized to employ a suitable person, a member of our Church of approved prudence and piety, to act as Colporteur, giving him for remuneration the per centage usually granted to Colporteurs, and, in addition, ten per cent according to the Catalogue prices.

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In connection with Publication your Agent begs leave to report, that on April 1st 1880. there was on hand $18.48. and that since that time $159.33. have been contributed towards this object by 35 Churches. It is gratifying to know that the condition of Publication cause is steadily improving, there being a good prospect that the heavy debt which has hindered this cause will soon be entirely liquidated, and thus leave the funds more at liberty for other use.

Your Agent would suggest: 1st that the annual collection for Publication and Colportage, ordered by the General Assembly, be taken up by all our Churches.

2nd That those Churches that have failed to contribute to the cause of Colportage be reminded by the Clerk, by postal, of their failure, and be called upon to forward their contributions as soon as possible.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Concluded.

Joseph Evans. Agent.

Com. of Finance Report.

The Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was accepted, and they were ordered to pay over the funds in their hands $466.04. to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Treasurer Elected.

On motion, Rev. J. C. McPherson was re-elected Treasurer of Presbytery for the ensuing year.

Reports &c.

On motion, the paper introduced at Laurel Hill Church viz: Reports to Presbytery, was postponed until next fall.

Visitation.

The Committee to re-arrange the Committees of Visitation to the Churches was continued.

Sabbath-Sermon.

Rev. K. M. McIntyre was appointed to preach a sermon on the Observance of the Sabbath at our fall sessions.

Letters of dismission to L. C. McKinnon and wife.

The following paper was adopted, viz;

Resolved, That in view of the fact, that Presbytery has satisfactory evidence that peace and harmony in Mineral Spring Session and Congregation would thereby be promoted, Presbytery direct the Session of Mineral Spring Church to grant letters of dismission to L. C. McKinnon and his wife to join Mt. Carmel Church.

$40 to each Commissioner.

The Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay $40. to each of our Commissioners to the General Assembly.

Semi-annual Sermon on Foreign Missions Dr. McNair.

On motion, it was Resolved, That a member of this body be appointed to preach a sermon or deliver an address on Foreign Missions at each semi-annual meeting of Presbytery. Whereupon, Rev. Evander McNair D.D. was, on motion, so appointed for our fall sessions.

Moderator nominated.

Rev. Evander McNair D.D. was, on motion, nominated for Moderator at our fall sessions.

Vote of Thanks;

Vote of thanks.

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville records its grateful appreciation of the cordial and generous hospitality extended its members by Buffalo Church, and returns its sincere thanks for the courtesies and kind attention shown this body during our present sessions; and also to the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway for the courtesy of reduced fare.

Resolved, also, That the Pastor, Rev. W. S. Lacy, be requested to read this resolution from the pulpit.

300 copies to be printed.

The Stated Clerk was ordered to publish 300. copies of our present Minutes for distribution among our Ministers and Churches.

Statistical Report to Gen. Ass.

The Stated Clerk presented the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was approved and is as follows:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that, at present, they consist of 21 Ministers, and have under their care 50 Churches and one Candidate for the Ministry; that on the 15th day of October, 1880, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. David Fairly and China Grove Church, and declared said Church vacant; that on the same day they dismissed, at his own request, Licentiate Frank P. Hearrell to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Concord; that on the 7th day of April 1881, they dismissed, at his own request, Licentiate Lauchlin A. McLean, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Greenbrier; that on the same day they received by letter, Rev. Evander McNair D.D. from the Presbytery of Ouachita, and that on the same day they received, by letter, Rev. S. C. Alexander from Mecklenburg Presbytery.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

Buffalo Church, April 9th 1881. J. P. McPherson, Stated Clerk.

Annual Report.

The Stated Clerk read the annual report to the General Assembly, which was approved and ordered to be forwarded to that Body.

Appendices.

[See Treasurer's report Appendix C. and Annual Report to Assembly appendix D.]

Rev. S. C. A. Call retained.

On motion, Rev. S. C. Alexander was permitted to retain in his hands, until our fall sessions, the Call from Harmony Church.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

Buffalo.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned.
Closed with singing, prayer and Apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson,
Stated Clerk.

Approved as far as written
November 4th 1881 A G Hall
Moderator of Synod

Fayetteville Presbytery. 21

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Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

BUFFALO CHURCH, April 9, 1881.

The Stated Clerk read the annual report to the General Assembly, which was approved and ordered to be forwarded. [See Treasurer's Report—Appendix C, and Annual Report to Assembly—Appendix D.]

On motion, Rev. S. C. Alexander was permitted to retain in his hands, until our fall sessions, the call from Harmony Church.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned.

Closed with singing, prayer and apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Buffalo.

APPENDIX.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1st, 1881.

NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	Number on Rolls.		Average attendance.		Increase.		Decrease		Number added to Church.		Amount contributed for your own School.	Amount contributed for Missionary Purposes.
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
Antioch	5	85	5	55						1	$ 6 00	
Ashpole	5	65	5	55						2		
Bethel	7	55	5	45		5					9 00	
Big Rockfish	5	20	3	15			2	5		3	3 40	$ 4 34
Bluff	12	95	7	75			2	35			6 00	4 50
Buffalo	24	148	17	109	2	24	1	16		2	18 00	32 00
Carthage	7	40	6	30						1	12 00	
Centre	11	125	9	75	2	15					45 43	17 25
Church of the Covenant												
Euphronia	12	92	9	70			6	48			14 28	6 50
Fayetteville	19	158	17	116						1	116 20	50 75
Flat Branch	2	15										
Iona												
Laurel Hill	12	60	8	50	1					1		5 10
Laurinburg	7	100	4	40				9		6	17 00	2 10
Lebanon												
Lumber Bridge	2	30	2	25								
Lumberton	7	24					1	9			3 00	23 35
McPherson	4	40	3	30							5 73	40
Mount Carmel	1	50	1	35								
Philadelphus	5	102	5	60		37	1			12	5 50	
Saint Andrews	12	112	10	50		75					11 91	
Saint Paul's	10	110	7	80						4	10 00	
Salem												
Sardis	6	27	4	20			1	10			5 00	
Sherwood	8	60	8	45							10 20	
Shoe Heel	10	75	7	50								
Smyrna	6	45	5	40		5	1				3 00	
Union	21	118	18	90			2	8		25	25 56	
	220	1851	165	1060	5	161	17	140		58	$327 21	$146 29

REMARKS:—Twenty-nine of fifty churches make report, of which number one reports no school and three give no statistics; so that twenty-five churches only

report their Sabbath Schools. These are generally under the control of our pastors and sessions. The standards of our church and the publications of our Committee are in use in all, or very nearly all. Two report special religious interest, and considerable numbers admitted to the Lord's Table. The report is neither so full nor so encouraging as usual, yet it is believed that the interest in this cause is not abated.

In addition the Agent would call attention:

1st. To the paucity of reports, and, in some instances, to the meagreness of those sent in. Having five thousand church members, surely there are more than 1851 children in Sabbath Schools. Of fifty churches surely there are more than twenty-eight Sabbath Schools.

2nd. To the importance of a proper care of Sabbath Schools. It is the part of wisdom to make the best and most attractive possible provision for the Sunday School: faithful supervision of pastor and session, the choice of teachers and their training, the instruction of the children and youth. These things demand earnest thought and care.

He would recommend the following action:

Resolved, That our churches be urged to exercise great care and wisdom in the conduct of Sabbath Schools, and to make proper provision for the religious training of the young committed to them.

Resolved, That they be directed to make out the reports required by the Assembly and the Presbytery with greater fulness and fidelity.

[Signed] J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

REV. W. S. LACY, Agent.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1881.

OBJECTS.	No. of congregations contributing.	Amounts.
Sustentation	35	$259 49
Evangelistic	31	264 00
Invalid Fund	32	169 28
Foreign Missions	34	976 16
Education	33	177 57
Publication	35	200 56
Colored Institute	22	79 89
Total		$2,126 95

Twenty-one congregations have contributed to all the six objects of benevolence ordered by the General Assembly; six have contributed to five of them; three have contributed to four of them; two have contributed to three of them; one has contributed to two of them; one has contributed to one of them; one has contributed to none of them.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH EVANS.

Buffalo.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS, (SUSTENTATION.)

1880.		Dr.
April 1	Cash on hand,	$81 68
" 6	Sardis,	5 68
" 8	Montpelier,	2 17
" 9	Tirza,	1 00
" 14	Flat Branch,	2 30
" "	St. Paul's,	8 00
" 24	Ben-Salem,	3 00
" "	Sharon,	3 10
" "	Macedonia,	1 20
" "	Carthage,	3 00
" "	Sherwood,	1 00
" "	Mt. Tabor,	1 00
" "	Union,	3 00
" "	Big Rockfish,	4 00
" "	Pee Dee,	4 60
May 8	China Grove,	1 00
June 30	Philadelphus,	80
July 27	Ladies' Home Circle, Fayetteville,	6 10
" 29	Bethel,	5 77
Aug. 25	McPherson's,	1 68
Oct. 16	Sandy Grove,	1 75
" "	China Grove,	2 00
1881		
Jan'y 15	St. Andrews,	5 00
" 23	Salem,	2 45
" 27	Antioch,	6 00
" 30	Lumber Bridge,	9 00
Feb'y 7	Bluff,	9 00
" 8	Philadelphus,	2 00
" 11	Cypress,	2 50
" 15	Big-Rockfish,	2 50
" "	Ashpole,	6 00
" 16	Centre,	13 32
" "	Shoe Heel,	26 12
" 18	Bluff (additional),	4 00
" 21	Bethlehem,	4 00
" 23	Sherwood,	3 95
" 24	Bethesda,	7 94
March 1	Galatia,	3 87
" 2	Pee Dee,	5 00
" 2	Buffalo,	12 50
" 2	McPherson's,	4 11
" 3	Lumberton,	9 81
" 4	Laurel Hill,	19 15
" 4	Smyrna,	5 00
" 9	Lebanon,	2 05
" 12	Cypress,	1 60
" 16	Euphronia,	6 00
" 16	Tirza,	2 00
" 29	Flat Branch,	4 05
" 31	St. Paul's,	5 00
	Amount carried forward,	$328 35

1881.	Cr.
March 31—15 per cent. of $240.67,	$36 99
Check to Rev. Rev. H. G. Hill for Rev. G. M. Gibbs,	25 00
Check to self for Salem Church,	25 00
Check to Rev. H. G. Hill for S. C. Alexander,	50 00
Check to Rev. H. G. Hill for S. C. Alexander,	50 00
Check to self for Salem Church,	30 00
Cash in Bank,	129 99
	$346 98

Amount brought forward,	$328 35
Money received after March 31, and ordered to be included in account:	
April 1—Church of Covenant,	5 00
" 4—Laurinburg,	13 63
	$346 98

PUBLICATION.

1880.	Dr.
April 1—Cash on hand,	$ 18 48
" 6—Sardis,	5 68
" 6—Centre,	10 75
" 6—Shoe Heel,	16 23
" 8—Montpelier,	3 73
" 9—Tirza,	1 00
" 9—Church of Covenant,	4 00
" 14—Antioch,	2 00
" 14—St. Paul's,	8 00
" 14—Flat Branch,	2 86
" 28—Buffalo,	8 27
" 24—Ben-Salem,	2 00
" 24—Sharon,	2 00
" 24—Macedonia,	1 00
" 24—Carthage,	5 00
" 24—Lumberton,	2 09
" 24—Sherwood,	1 00
" 24—Mt. Tabor,	1 00
" 24—Lebanon,	75
" 24—Union,	1 00
" 24—Big-Rockfish,	3 00
" 24—Smyrna,	4 97
" 24—Laurel Hill,	8 06
" 24—Pee Dee,	4 40
May 8—China Grove,	1 32
June 30—Philadelphus,	35
Oct. 8—Sardis,	2 25
" 16—Sandy Grove,	1 25
" 24—Bethesda,	7 88
1881.	
March 9—Lebanon,	3 50
" 11—Bluff,	3 50
" 16—St. Andrews,	3 00
" 15—Tirza,	2 00
" 20—Lumber Bridge,	7 33
" 21—Antioch,	3 00
" 24—Pee Dee,	8 50
" 27—Salem,	1 55
" 29—Flat Branch,	3 00
M'ch 31—St. Paul's—Lock Shaw,	5 00
" 31—Lumberton—J. A. McAllister,	3 06
" 31—Buffalo—D. B. McIver,	4 05
	$177 81
Additional, by order of Presbytery:	
April 1—Church of Covenant,	5 00
" 4—Laurinburg,	8 49
	$191 30

1880.	Cr.
March 8—P. O. Money Order sent to Rev. J. K. Hazen,	$ 37 64
March 31—Cash on hand,	18 48
June 2—Check sent to Rev. J. K. Hazen,	100 11
June 8—Check sent same,	18 48
Cash in Bank,	16 59
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FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1880.	Dr.
April 6, Sardis,	$5 68
" 8, Montpelier,	2 98
" 9, Church of Covenant,	25 00
" 14, St. Paul's,	5 00
" 24, Ladies Aid S'y, St. Paul's,	24 00
" 24, Flat Branch,	2 50
" 28, St. Paul's,	50 00
" 28, Ben-Salem,	5 00
" 28, Macedonia,	1 50
" 28, Carthage,	10 00
" 28, Sherwood,	4 00
" 28, Mt. Tabor,	4 00
" 28, Shoe Heel,	10 00
" 28, Lone,	1 00
" 28, Presbyterial collection,	32 34
May 5, Cypress,	5 67
" 6, Rev. H. G. Hill (Pl.col.),	1 00
" 8, Long-Street,	1 25
" 8, China Grove,	1 00
" 11, Pee Dee,	10 00
" 17, McPherson's,	5 00
" 22, St. Andrews,	4 00
" 23, Salem,	3 66
" 25, Mineral Spring,	6 44
" 25, Ladies' Missionary Society, Antioch,	6 00
" 31, Bluff,	12 74
June 3, Buffalo,	25 00
" 6, Lumber Bridge,	13 74
" 6, Lumber Bridge S. S.,	3 50
" 8, Big-Rockfish,	9 90
" 8, Philadelphus,	6 30
" 9, Bethlehem,	2 04
" 15, Flat Branch,	5 00
" 16, Sherwood,	5 00
July 19, Fayetteville,	24 82
" 19, Bethlehem,	30
" 19, Mt. Tabor,	5 00
" 26, Antioch,	5 00
June 30, Centre,	17 75
" 30, Davis' Mission Chapel,	5 44
June 30, Shoe Heel,	24 19
" 30, Davis' Mission Chapel,	7 00
July 1, Ladies' Missionary Society, Philadelphus,	4 00
" 5, Laurel Hill,	19 55
" 5, Smyrna,	12 45
" 7, Lumberton,	32 66
" 29, Ladies' Missionary Society, St. Paul's,	17 00
" 29, Bethel,	10 00
Aug. 14, Bethesda,	12 25
" 25, Ladies' Missionary Society, Antioch,	5 00
Oct. 5, Sardis Church,	13 24
" 8, Sardis,	6 71
" 16, Sandy Grove,	11 60
Amount carried forward,	$543 70

1880	Cr.
June 2, Check sent to Rev. R. Mallwaine,	$ 239 26
June 16, Check sent to Rev. R. Mallwaine, which covers to June 16,	70 48
Sept. 28, Check sent to same,	25 12
July 7, Check sent to same,	133 04
Sept. 28, Check sent to same,	69 37
Dec. 18, Check sent to same,	116 82
1881.	
Feb. 1, Check sent to same,	47 50
April 4, Cash in Bank,	67 72
	$769 31

Amount brought forward,	$543 70
Oct. 16, Sharon,	6 00
" 16, Ben-Salem,	4 00
" 16, Macedonia,	2 00
" 16, China Grove,	4 00
" 16, Ladies' Missionary Society, Philadelphus,	3 44
" 16, Lebanon,	3 08
" 16, Presbyterial collection,	40 25
Nov. 11, Laurel Hill,	18 50
" 11, Ladies' Missionary Society Antioch,	4 00
Dec. 30, Buffalo,	10 25
1881.	
Jan. 1, New Year's offering, by Centre S. School,	17 25
Jan. 26, St. Paul's Ladies' Missionary Society,	20 00
Mar. 16, Tirza,	5 00
" 25, Euphronia,	33 00
" 29, Ladies' Missionary Society, Antioch,	6 00
Additional, by order of Presbytery:	
April 1, Church of Covenant,	23 69
" 4, Laurinburgh,	20 15
Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of Covenant,	5 00
	$769 31

HOME MISSIONS (EVANGELISTIC WORK).

1880.	Dr.
Mar. 31—Cash on hand,	$110 87
April 6—Sardis,	5 68
" 8—Montpelier,	1 95
" 9—Tirza,	1 00
" 9—Church of Covenant,	3 00
" 14—Flat Branch,	2 90
" 24—Carthage,	3 00
" "—Sherwood,	1 00
" "—Mt. Tabor,	1 00
" "—Union,	3 00
May 8—China Grove,	1 00
" "—Long Street,	1 72
June 30—Philadelphus,	35
Sep. 9—Cypress,	1 50
" 16—McPherson's,	2 75
" 18—Bethlehem,	1 65
" 22—Bluff,	4 20
" 23—St. Andrews,	5 00
" 8—Philadelphus—addit'l,	1 38
" 26—Lumber Bridge,	11 00
Oct. 3—Salem,	2 59
" 5—Lumberton,	4 00
" 5—Antioch,	3 00
" 8—Sardis,	5 56
" 16—Sandy Grove,	5 42
" "—Mineral Spring,	7 46
" "—Mark's Creek,	3 71
Amount carried forward,	$194 69

1881	Cr.
March 9, 15 per cent. of $[illegible] sent to Rev. R. Mallwaine,	$ 46 19
April 4, Cash in bank,	$692 90
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	Amount brought forward,	$194 69
Oct. 16	—Flat Branch,	5 00
" "	—Sharon,	4 25
" "	—Laurel Hill,	11 07
" "	—Smyrna,	6 51
" "	—Sherwood,	4 00
" "	—Ben-Salem,	2 70
" "	—Macedonia,	1 80
" "	—China Grove,	1 00
" "	—Shoe Heel,	21 59
" "	—Centre,	15 58
Nov. 17	—Ashpole,	14 00
" 18	—Bluff,	10 00
March 24	—Pee Dee,	1 50
Nov. 8	—Big-Rockfish,	2 00
Dec. 17	—Fayetteville,	3 40
" 30	—Buffalo,	10 35
1881.		
March 16	—Euphronia,	6 00
" 16	—Tirza,	1 00
" 27	—Home Circle, etc., Fayetteville,	7 90
Additional, by order of Presbytery:		
April 1	—Church of Covenant,	2 00
" 4	—Laurinburg,	12 75
		$339 09

EDUCATION.

1880.	Dr.	1880.	Cr.
March 31, Cash on hand,	$ 4 52	June 8, P. O. Money Order sent to G. W. MacRae,	41 48
April 6, Sardis,	5 68	Premium on same,	25
" 8, Montpelier,	5 46		
" 9, Tirza,	1 00	Total sent,	$41 73
" 9, Church of Covenant,	4 00	1881.	
" 14, Flat Branch,	2 90	March 10, Check sent to G. W. MacRae, Memphis, Tennessee,	105 47
" 24, Mt. Pisgah,	30	Cash in bank,	35 73
" 24, Sharon,	3 10		$182 93
" 24, Macedonia,	1 25		
" 24, Carthage,	6 00		
" 24, Union,	1 50		
" 24, Iona,	1 00		
" 24, Pee Dee,	4 00		
May 8, China Grove,	1 00		
June 30, Philadelphus,	35		
Oct. 16, Sandy Grove,	1 25		
" 16, China Grove,	1 15		
Nov. 17, Cypress,	2 00		
" 17, St. Andrews,	5 00		
" 18, Bluff,	6 15		
" 18, Lumber Bridge,	4 58		
Dec. 14, McPherson's,	2 50		
" 15, Laurel Hill,	11 60		
" 15, Smyrna,	6 90		
" 17, Fayetteville,	1 20		
" 23, Big-Rockfish,	4 00		
" 23, Pee Dee,	7 50		
" 30, Buffalo,	9 50		
" 30, Shoe Heel,	11 06		
" 30, Centre,	9 25		
Amount carried forward,	$125 12		

	Amount brought forward,	$125 12
1881.		
Jan. 3,	Philadelphus,	1 94
" 11,	Bethlehem,	91
Feb. 3,	Sherwood,	5 00
Mar. 3,	Lumberton,	11 41
" 9,	Lebanon,	2 82
" 16,	Tirza,	4 00
" 16,	Euphronia,	7 00
" 29,	Flat Branch,	4 00
" 31,	St. Paul's,	5 00
Additional, by order of Presbytery:		
April 1,	Church of Covenant,	2 00
" 4,	Laurinburgh,	13 73
		$182 93

INVALID FUND.

1880.	Dr.	1880.	Cr.
April 6, Sardis,	$ 5 68	June 23, Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine,	$ 25 63
" 8, Montpelier,	55	Sept. 28, Check sent same,	115 78
" 9, Tirza,	1 00	1881.	
" 9, Church of Covenant,	3 00	Feb'y 1, Check sent same,	51 85
" 14, Flat Branch,	2 90	April 4, Cash in Bank,	9 57
" 24, Carthage,	5 00		$202 83
" 24, Sherwood,	3 00		
" 24, Mt. Tabor,	2 00		
" 24, Union,	1 50		
May 8, China Grove,	1 00		
June 30, Philadelphus,	70		
July 12, Philadelphus (additional),	3 00		
" 19, Cypress,	1 48		
" 19, Pee Dee,	5 00		
" 19, St. Andrews,	5 00		
" 19, Lumber Bridge,	5 00		
" 19, Bethlehem,	55		
" 25, Salem,	2 50		
" 27, Antioch,	3 00		
Aug. 2, Big-Rockfish,	8 00		
" 12, Buffalo,	10 62		
" 31, St. Paul's,	12 00		
" 31, Sherwood,	5 00		
Sep. 13, Centre,	14 26		
" 13, Shoe Heel,	23 11		
" 20, Bethesda,	9 64		
" 22, Bluff,	4 20		
" 23, Philadelphus,	2 72		
Oct. 5, McPherson's,	2 05		
" 5, G. W. Davis,	3 08		
" 5, Lumberton,	1 45		
" 8, Sardis,	4 23		
" 16, Sandy Grove,	1 20		
" 16, Mineral Spring,	5 39		
" 16, Flat Branch,	4 00		
" 16, Sharon,	3 25		
" 16, Laurel Hill,	13 78		
" 16, Smyrna,	4 52		
Oct. 16, Ben-Salem,	1 25		
" 16, Macedonia,	1 00		
Amount carried forward,	$186 61		

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Amount brought forward,	$186 61
Oct. 16, China Grove,	1 00
" 22, Long Street,	1 75
Nov. 17, Big Rockfish,	2 00
Dec. 17, Fayetteville,	1 90
1881	
Mar. 16, Euphronia,	4 00
" 16, Tirza,	1 00
Additional, by order of Presbytery:	
April 1, Church of Covenant,	2 00
" 4, Laurinburgh,	2 57
	$202 83

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

1880.	Dr.	1880.	Cr.
April 1, Cash on hand,	$ 00 00	April 6, Salary of Stated Clerk,	$ 25 00
" 4, Salem,	2 00	" 26, Salary of Treasurer,	25 00
" 6, Sardis,	19 71	" 28, Stationery, Postage, etc.,	16 00
" 9, Tirza,	5 00	May 11, Check sent to Jackson & Bell for Printing Minutes in 1879,	44 03
" 9, Church of Covenant,	5 00	May 11, Printing Minutes of Fall Sessions,	34 72
" 14, St. Paul's,	18 00	May 11, Check sent to Jessee H. Lindsay, Treasurer of Synod, 1878–1879,	60 00
" 24, Mt. Pisgah,	6 00	May 11, Check sent to D. McIntyre, Commissioner to General Assembly,	25 00
" 24, Ben-Salem,	10 00	May 13, Post Office Money Order to Rev. Jos. Evans, Commissioner to General Assembly,	25 00
" 24, Sharon,	6 00	May 13, Premium on same,	10
" 24, Macedonia,	10 00	May 27, Printing Spring Minutes of 1880,	37 50
" 24, Carthage,	15 00	May 27, Mailing same,	3 50
" 24, Buffalo,	30 00	June 7, Registered Letter to Rev. A. N. Ferguson, Trustee of Davidson College,	10 00
" 24, Euphronia,	12 00	June 7, Registering same,	13
" 24, Bethel,	10 00	" 14, Rev. W. S. Lacy, Trustee of Davidson College,	12 00
" 24, Mark's Creek,	5 00	June 14, Registering letter to same,	10
" 24, Lumberton,	6 30	" 10, Check Book,	2 75
" 24, Sherwood,	8 00	July 5, 50 Envelopes, Postal Cards and Printing,	3 00
" 24, Mt. Tabor,	5 00	Aug. 10, Salary as Treasurer to October 1, 1880,	25 00
" 24, Lebanon,	5 00	Oct. 9, Salary Stated Clerk to October 1, 1880,	25 00
" 24, Cameron,	3 00	Nov. 5, Printing and mailing Minutes,	30 00
" 24, Mt. Carmel,	3 00	Nov. 12, Check to C. J. Yates for J. H. Lindsay, Synodical Assembly,	40 00
" 24, Union,	24 00		
" 24, Big-Rockfish,	10 00		
" 24, Bluff,	20 00		
" 24, Centre,	20 00		
" 24, Shoe Heel,	10 00		
" 24, Sandy Grove,	16 00		
" 24, Bethesda,	12 00		
" 24, Smyrna,	16 00		
" 24, Laurel Hill,	20 00		
" 24, Laurinburgh,	10 00		
" 24, McPherson's,	10 00		
" 24, Iona,	10 00		
" 24, Flat Branch,	3 00		
" 24, Pee Dee,	10 00		
May 2, Salem,	2 05		
" 5, Cypress,	4 35		
" 8, Long-Street,	10 00		
" 24, China Grove,	5 00		
June 9, Bethlehem,	3 00		
" 28, Returned by Rev. W. S. Lacy,	3 00		
" 30, Philadelphus,	35		
Amount carried forward,	$462 76	Amount carried forward,	$437 83

Amount brought forward,	$462 76
July 5, Returned by Rev. A. N. Ferguson,	2 00
Oct. 16, Bethel,	10 00
" 22, Long Street,	3 82
Dec. 31, Barbacue,	7 28
1881.	
Mar. 1, Galatia for 1880,	15 00
" 20, Lumber Bridge,	8 00
" 31, St. Paul's,	15 00
Additional, by order of Presbytery:	
April 1—Church of Covenant,	5 00
" 4—Laurinburg,	10 00
	$538 86

Amount brought forward,	$437 83
Dec. 21, Check to self for stationery,	10 00
1881.	
April 4, Cash in bank,	91 03
	$538 86

COLOURED INSTITUTE.

1880.	Dr.	1880.	Cr.
March 20—St. Andrews,	$ 1 00	June 11—Money Order sent to Dr. J. T. Searcy,	$41 43
" 20—Buffalo,	5 00	" 11—Premium on same,	28
April 6—Sardis,	1 00	1881.	
" 9—Church of Covenant,	3 45	Mar. 10—Check sent to Dr. J. T. Searcy, Treasurer,	55 76
" 14—St. Paul's,	10 00	" 31—Cash in bank,	11 66
" 24—Ben-Salem,	2 00		$109 13
" 24—Sharon,	1 10		
" 24—Carthage,	4 34		
" 24—Euphronia,	3 00		
" 24—Mt. Tabor,	2 00		
" 24—Union,	82		
" 24—Big-Rockfish,	2 00		
" 24—Pee Dee,	4 00		
May 8—Long-Street,	1 00		
" 8—China Grove,	1 00		
July 12—Philadelphus,	35		
Dec. 15—Laurel Hill,	5 65		
" 15—Smyrna,	3 25		
" 15—Cypress,	1 00		
" 17—Fayetteville,	3 69		
" 18—McPherson's,	96		
" 21—Antioch,	2 00		
" 23—Big-Rockfish,	4 00		
" 23—Pee Dee,	2 50		
" 30—Shoe Heel,	4 17		
" 30—Centre,	5 09		
" 30—Buffalo,	2 70		
1881.			
Jan'y 3—Philadelphus addit'l,	2 60		
" 15—Bluff,	4 00		
Feb'y 8—Sherwood,	3 00		
March 10—Laurinburgh,	10 80		
" 16—Euphronia,	3 00		
" 16—St. Andrew's,	2 00		
" 31—St. Paul's,	5 00		
" 31—Lumberton,	1 66		
	$109 13		

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

1881.	Dr.	1881.	Cr.
April 1—Cash on hand,	$50 00	April 1—Cash in People's Bank,	$50 00

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COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

	Dr.		Cr.
1879.		1881.	
Nov. 6, McPhatter Church, (coloured,)	$1 50	March 9, 15 per cent. of $40.58, sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine by check,	$ 6 08
1880.		March 31, Cash in Bank,	37 50
Jan. 6, Lebanon,	2 00		$43 58
" 12, Laurel Hill,	7 00		
" 12, Smyrna,	2 00		
Apr., 6, Sardis,	1 00		
Oct. 8, Sardis—additional,	7 05		
" 24, Salem,	50		
" 31, Lumber Bridge,	3 38		
Nov. 1, Antioch,	1 00		
" 18, Bluff,	5 00		
Dec. 8, Bethlehem,	85		
" 30, Buffalo,	3 50		
1881.			
Feb'y 8, Philadelphus,	2 00		
Mar. 3, Lumberton,	3 80		
" 16, Euphronia,	3 00		
	$43 58		

COLPORTAGE.

	Dr.		Cr.
1879.		1880.	
Sept. 30, Cash on hand,	$21 18	Dec. 13, Check to D. Bethune, Colporteur,	$30 00
Oct. 8, Pee Dee,	85	April 4, Cash in Bank,	54 65
Nov. 6, Centre,	10 00		$84 65
1880.			
Jan'y 20, Fayetteville,	3 50		
April 6, Sardis,	5 71		
" 8, Montpelier,	94		
" 14, Antioch,	1 00		
" 24, Lumberton,	4 14		
June 30, Philadelphus,	35		
Aug. 12, Buffalo,	3 20		
" 16, Bethlehem,	1 00		
" 22, Salem,	1 00		
" 29, Lumber Bridge,	3 75		
Sept. 9, Big-Rockfish,	2 00		
Oct. 5, Lumberton,	3 42		
" 8, Sardis,	6 71		
Nov. 17, Big-Rockfish,	2 00		
Dec. 17, Fayetteville,	45		
1881.			
Mar. 16, Euphronia,	4 00		
April 1, Church of Covenant,	1 02		
" 4, Laurinburgh,	8 43		
	$84 65		

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION TO THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE, IN SESSION AT BUFFALO CHURCH, APRIL 13-16, 1881.

Your Committee would respectfully report that we have now only one candidate under our care. He is successfully pursuing his literary course at Davidson College. He has been aided from the general fund to the amount of $80.00. This has not proved quite sufficient, and he has asked for and will receive a small additional amount.

The following churches in our Presbytery have made no contributions this year to the cause of Education: Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethel, Bethesda, New-Salem, Cameron, Galatia, Harmony, Long-Street, Mark's Creek, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Rockingham, St. Andrew's and Sherwood,—16.

These are the only facts on this subject that have come to the knowledge of your Committee, and they hardly afford sufficient data for an extended and formal report.

That we have now only one candidate under our care, and that the number of our candidates throughout our church generally has been for some time gradually on the decrease, ought to arrest the most serious attention of all our people. In view of these facts, your committee would offer the following suggestions for the adoption of Presbytery:

1. That Presbytery, regarding this as one of the most vital interests of our beloved church, and profoundly deploring the fact that the number of our candidates for the gospel ministry is on the decrease, feels that this affords special cause for deep humiliation and earnest and importunate prayer to Almighty God on the part of all our ministers and people. Presbytery would earnestly and affectionately recommend to all our churches, ministers, office-bearers, heads of families, parents, teachers and people, to seek the Lord "with all their hearts," to acknowledge and confess before Him their sins, their worldliness, their shortcomings, and their indifference; and by continued special supplications entreat the great Head of the Church to remember and visit in mercy His own vineyard, pour out upon it abundantly His Holy Spirit, and beget within it a renewed spirit of consecration and self-denial; that He would put it into the hearts of Christian parents to dedicate to the service of the Lord, in the gospel ministry, their sons, and awaken in them a fervent desire that they may enjoy the high honor and special privilege of seeing their sons enter the ministry, and of themselves becoming the progenitors of a race of pious and faithful heralds of the gospel.

2. That Presbytery recommends to all our ministers to preach a special sermon to their people on this subject, calling their attention especially to the able paper published by direction of the last General Assembly, and written by a committee composed of Rev. Drs. Brown, Hoyt and Girardeau; and that they endeavor to arouse all our people, and especially our pious youth, to renewed zeal and to a full sense of their obligation and duty.

3. That Presbytery directs its committee on Education to correspond with every church that has not contributed, and urge upon them the duty of doing so without delay.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROGER MARTIN, Chairman
Committee of Education.

him; and Lizzie, Hector McLean,

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 21 Ministers, and has under its care 50 Churches and 1 Candidate, viz:

MINISTERS, Etc.,	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	Elders.	Deacons.	Added on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Number Baptized Non-Communicants.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastors' Salaries actually paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P.	8	7	3		136		5	94	85	$ 6 00	$ 3 00	$ 6 50	$ 26 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 11 00	$ 189	$1000	$ 749
" " "	" " "	Philadelphus, P.	7	4	13		107	1	2	49	102	4 08	1 38	2 72	14 00	2 03	2 00	12 00	150 50	57	5 80
Evander McNair, D. D., S. S.	Red Banks, " "	Lebanon, S. S.	3	1	2	5	48		1	25		2 05			3 08	2 82	3 50	5 00	76		
" " " "	" " " "	Bethesda, S. S.	4	3	1	2	136		3	51		7 94		9 64	43 55		7 88	12 00	183 50		5
J. P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville, N. C.	Lumber Bridge, S. S.	4	3			78		6		30	9 00	14 38	5 00	17 24	4 58	7 33	8 00	182 50	16 02	7 89
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" " "	" "	Long Street, S. S.	2	3			54														
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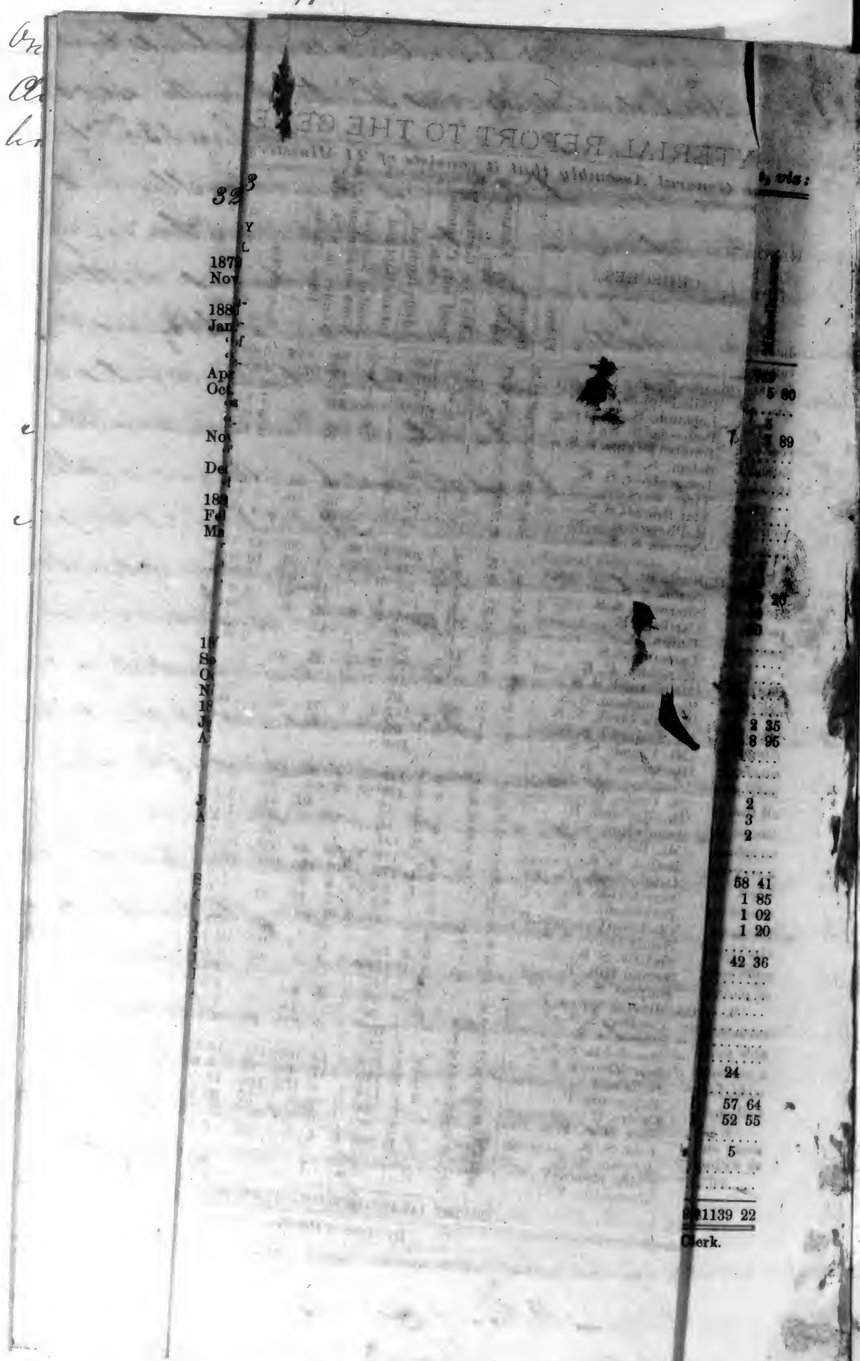
Pastoral relations dissolved 2.

BUFFALO CHURCH, April 9, 1881.

By order of the Presbytery:

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Buffalo.



Sardis Church, Cumberland County, Me.
One Hundred and Thirty Seventh Sessions.
October 13th, 1881.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and, in the absence of the Moderator, Rev. Roger Martin, was opened with a sermon by Rev. Martin McQueen from Ephesians, 3rd Chapter and 17–19 verses, – "That ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge."

Opening sermon. Text.

After sermon, Rev. D. D. McBryde, the last Moderator present, took the Chair, called the Presbytery to order and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Constituted.

Ministers Present – Wander McNair, D. D. J. P. McPherson, Neill McKay, D. D. G. M. Gibbs, S. C. Alexander, D. D. McBryde, Martin McQueen, H. G. Hills, D. D. Davie Fairley, A. N. Ferguson and D. A. McRae.

Ministers present.

Churches Represented – Antioch, A. McGougan; Bethesda, Malcom McNeill; Bluff, Walter J. Smith; Buffalo, H. J. Dennis; Church of the Covenant, A. K. McDiarmid; Cameron, Daniel McIntyre; Fayetteville, E. T. McKethan; Flat Branch, Hugh Black; Iona, M. C. McIntyre; Long Street, Duncan Brown; Lumber Bridge, A. N. McDonald; McPherson's, A. J. Graham; Mt. Pisgah, W. D. Harrington; Sardis, James P. Hodges; Sandy Grove, D. K. McDuffie; St. Andrew's, John McDonald; Cyprus, D. McLaughlin; and Zion, Hector McLean.

R. Elders.

Ministers absent.

Ministers absent; Hector McLean, A. McMillan, James McLean, N. J. Bowden, Joseph Evans, A. McLean, John H. Cobb, R. M. McIntyre, W. S. Lacy and Roger Martin.

Churches not represented.

Ashpole, Barbecue, Bethlehem, Bethel, Big-Rockfish, Carthage, China Grove, Euphronia, Galatia, Harmony, Laurel Hill, Lauchinburgh, Lebanon, Lumberton, Mark's Creek, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Zion, Red Oak, Rockingham, Salem, Shoe Heel, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Paul's, Shiloh, Philadelphus and Union.

Moderator & Clerks.

Rev. Evander McIver D.D. was chosen Moderator; and Rev. S.C. Alexander and Walter J. Smith temporary Clerks.

Rev. H. McLean.

A letter from Rev. Hector McLean, assigning a satisfactory reason for absence, was read.

Recess.

Presbytery receded from business for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

A. L. & A. McMillan.

Letters from Rev. Messrs A. McLean and A. McMillan, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence, were read.

Committees announced.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

1. Devotional Exercises – D.D. McBryde and James P. Hendrix.
2. Finance – E. T. McKethan and Walter J. Smith.
3. Narrative to Synod – Dr. Hall and D. Bethune.
4. Systematic Beneficence – D. Fairley, A.K. McDiarmid and Daniel McIntyre.
5. Calls and Supplies – Dr. McKay, A.N. Ferguson, and M. McMillan.
6. Minutes of General Assembly – D.D. McBryde, M. McLean and A. J. Graham.
7. Nominations – A.N. Ferguson and G. M. Gibbs.

White Hill Church enrolled.

The Committee to organize a Church at White Hill, Moore County, N.C. submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee appointed to organize a Presbyterian Church at White Hill, if the way be clear, would respectfully report that they organized the Church with three Elders, three Deacons and fifty-two members, on third Saturday in July, 17th day of the month, 1881. They recommend that it be enrolled as White Hill, and that it be assessed $5.00.

M. McLean, Chairman.

K. Wicker.

Mr. Kenneth Wicker, Ruling Elder of said Church, being present, his name was enrolled.

D. Bethune & C. McKinnon.

The following Ruling Elders appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness and their names were enrolled, viz; Duncan Bethune of St. Pauls, and D. McKinnon of Bon-Salem Churches.

Place & time of Spring meeting.

On motion, the place and time for holding our Spring sessions was taken up, when Antioch Church, Robeson County, N.C. was unanimously chosen as the place, and the time fixed was Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April, 1882, at 12. o'clock, M.

D. College.

The report of the Trustees of Davidson College was read and referred to a special Committee consisting of A. N. Ferguson, G. M. Gibbs and D. McIntyre.

Orders of the day.

The following orders of the day were fixed, viz; Saturday, at 11. o'clock A.M. to hear the sermon of Dr. McIver and the report of the Agent of Foreign Missions. Friday, at 10. o'clock, A.M. to hear verbal reports &

Orders continued. reference to the state of Religion in our Churches.
Second for fore-noon - Report on Education.
First Order for afternoon - Report on Home Missions.
Second order - report on Publication and Colportage.

Rev. J. McL. Rev. James McLean, by letter, assigned a satisfactory reason for absence from our present sessions.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock, A.M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Sardis Church, October 14th, 1881.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

D. Currie. Mr. David Currie, Ruling Elder of Marks' Creek Church, appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Free Conversation. The order of the day for this hour, viz: Free Conversation on the State of Religion was taken up, when reports were heard from the Churches.

A.K.McD. McIntyre Lacy & McTorquodale. Pending these exercises, A. K. McDermid Esqr. was added to the Finance Committee; Rev. Messrs K. McL. McIntyre and W. S. Lacy appeared in Presbytery and rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness; And Mr. John J. McTorquodale, Ruling Elder of China Grove, also appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Second Order. The second order of the day for the fore noon was

taken up, viz: the Report on Publication, when it appeared that no report on that subject was in the house.

Report of Colporteur. The report of our Colporteur, Mr. D. Bethune, was then read and accepted, and is as follows, viz:

Received of Treasurer of Presbytery thirty dollars, invested the same in books of the Richmond Committee of Publication, 78 in number, sold of same 44 amounting in value to $25.00. Thirty-four books remaining on hand unsold, time engaged 11 days. Calls made in that time 78.

(Signed) D. Bethune.

Recess. Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, when, on motion, the sermon on the Sabbath, by Rev. K. McL. McIntyre, was post-poned until our Spring Sessions.

Sermon of Sab. postponed. Home Missions. The order of the day for this hour, viz: the Report of the Committee of Home Missions was taken up.

The Report was read by the Chairman, Rev. H. G. Hall D.D. which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Report of Committee on Home Missions.

The Home Missions Committee would present to Presbytery the following report for the six months ending October 1st, 1881.

1st As to Contributions to Sustentation.

Your Treasurer reports eight Churches as contributing to this Cause ---------- $21.50.
Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee 3.23.
Leaves balance ---------- $18.27.
Add balance on hand April 1st after paying Assembly's Committee 15 per cent 129.99.
Leaves to be apportioned on our bounds $148.26.

Report Continued.

Amount brought forward	$148. 26.
Deduct amount paid Rev. A. McLean	" 10. 00.
Balance on hand October 1st	$138. 26.

From this sum the Churches of Rockingham and Salem will have to be aided for the last six months of the current year. For the first six months of this year, Rockingham has received $50, and Salem $30.

2nd As to Contributions to Evangelistic Fund.-

During the past six months seventeen Churches have Contributed to this fund

	$41. 18.
Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	" 6. 16.
	$35. 02
Add balance on hand April 1st after paying Assembly's Committee 15 per cent	292. 90
Gives to be expended in our bounds	$327. 92.

No appropriation has been made from that fund for the current year. As directed by Presbytery at its Spring meeting, your Committee and the Agent for Colportage have made several efforts to get a minister to act as Evangelist and Colporteur in the western part of our territory, but hitherto without success.

For the Coloured Evangelistic Fund three Churches are reported as contributing

	$ 9. 15.
Deduct 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	1. 37.
Balance on hand April 1st, after paying	$ 7. 78
15 per cent to Assembly's Committee	$37. 50.
	$45. 28.

From this fund, of $50. due Rev. A. McLean for services rendered McPhetter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches

in 1880, $40 have been paid: the balance, $10. of this sum, being paid out the Restoration Fund. Balance to the credit of the Coloured Evangelistic Fund October 1st $5. 28.

3rd As to Contributions to Invalid Fund -.

Your Treasurer reports Thirty one Chs Contributing	$135. 75.
Balance on hand April 1st 1881	9. 57.
Amount to be sent Assembly's Committee	$145. 32.

No appropriations have been asked from this fund for current year.

4th As to Supplies for Vacant Churches.

Zerza, Dr. N. McKay 1. Sabbaths and Sacraments.
Bethel, D. A. McRae 1. " " "
Pine Grove, Geo. Gibbs 1. " " "
Montpelier J. H. Cobb 1. " " "
Rockingham, Dr. E. McNair 1 " "
" S. C. Alexander. " "

Your Committee would make the following recommendations; That the Home Missions Committee and the Presbyterial Agent for Publication and Colportage be instructed to continue their efforts to secure a minister as an Evangelist and Colporteur in the western part of our territory. Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hill Chairman.

Pending the adoption of the above report the subject Home Missions was discussed.

On motion, it was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning to examine Mr. J. McL. Clark with a view to taking him under the Care of Presbytery as a candidate for the Ministry.

Pastoral relation dissolved. Rev. K. M. McIntyre requested, that the pastoral relation between himself and Minnal Spring Church be dissolved; and the Commissioners from said Church reporting the Church as concurring therein, the relation was dissolved.

Rev. K. M. McIntyre, M. Spring.

On motion, Rev. E. McNair D.D. was appointed to preach at Minnal Spring Church and declare said Church vacant, when the pecuniary obligations between the pastor and people have been amicably settled.

Report on Calls & Supplies. The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted their report, which was accepted, and the resolution appended thereto was adopted, viz:

Rev. J. McL., White Hill. The Committee on Calls and Supplies recommend that the request of White Hill Church, to employ the Rev. James McLean for one fourth of his time on a salary of $150.00, be granted.

Rev. J. McL.

Barbacue Session cited. The Committee offer the following resolution for the adoption of Presbytery, viz: That the Session of Barbacue Church be and hereby are cited to appear before Presbytery at its next regular Sessions and show cause why they have not met their pecuniary engagements with Rev. James McLean according to promise.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, after to-day, was granted to Rev. Messrs J. C. Alexander and K. M. McIntyre, and to Mr. Lauchlan, A. McGougan, Daniel Currie, Dennis Wicker and E. J. McKithan.

The Treasurer, Rev. J. P. McPherson, presented his

Statement of receipts & disbursements. statement of receipts and disbursements from April 1st to September 30th 1881, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Sardis Church, October 15th 1881.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

J. C. McA., K. M. C. The following Ruling Elders appeared in Presbytery, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness and their names were enrolled, viz: John A. McAllister from Lumberton and Duncan McCormick from Barbacue Church.

Postponed. As unfinished business, the report of the Committee of Fourness at Laurel Hill, (see printed Minutes page 12) was called up, when, on motion, this matter was postponed until next Spring.

No report on Sabbath. There being no report from the Committee on the Sabbath, the same Committee was continued, and directed to report next Spring.

Mr. K. A. McLeod, Ruling Elder from Mt. Carmel, appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Candidates Clark & McLeod. The following candidates for the Ministry, viz: John M. Clark and K. A. McLeod were introduced to Presbytery by Rev. Martin McLean, and after a satisfactory examination on experimental religion and their motives in

desiring to enter the Ministry, they were taken under our care as candidates for the Gospel Ministry.

On motion, these young brethren were directed to confer with our Presbyterial Committee of Education.

Concluded. Order of the day. Sermon by Dr McNair. Text.

The hour for the order of the day, viz: to hear the sermon of Rev. Evander McNair D.D. on Foreign Missions, having arrived, Dr McNair preached an able sermon from Matthew 24: 14. "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come".

Report on F. Missions.

The Agent of Foreign Missions Rev. D.D. McBryde, then read his report on that subject, which was accepted and adopted and is as follows, viz:

Report of Agent for Foreign Missions

The aspect of the Foreign Missionary work is in many respects encouraging and cheering. The different missions are well nigh fully supplied with efficient heralds of the Cross; with men and women consecrated to the services of our divine Redeemer. We now have in China 11 Missionaries; in South America 10; in Greece 6; in Mexico 5; among the Indians 6 Missionaries and 3 teachers making in all a missionary force of 35, which, together with 34 native assistants, makes our mission force over 90.

Of this number 12 have been sent out during the past year. Three more suitable persons are ready to go forth as soon as the way be clear and the means are provided. Under these devoted servants of Christ, and through the divine blessing, the work is attended with encouraging success all our fields of missionary labour.

F. Missions Continued.

In view of the very great destitution of Africa, the recent and remarkable providences which have opened up that vast field to missionary work; and in view of the special relation of the Southern Church to the African race, the General Assembly instructed the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions to establish a mission in that benighted land.

Beyond and around all our missions the field is white unto the harvest; and the Macedonian cry comes from every direction with an importunity never before known. This aspect of the missionary work is exceedingly encouraging. The increase in the number of female missionary societies is another encouraging feature of the work.

But there is another aspect of the work which cannot fail to awaken deep solicitude. The contributions of last year were some $12,000. more than the previous year. This increase in the contributions of the Church enabled the Executive Committee to send forth so large a number of re-inforcements to fill up the thinned ranks of our little army of Missionaries, and it also reduced the indebtedness of the Executive Committee.

But the contributions of the present year indicate a falling off, while the Executive Committee urge an increase of 50 per cent. in the contributions of the Churches, as the amount is imperatively needed to carry on the work with efficiency.

In conclusion, we would adopt in substance the closing resolution of the of the last General Assembly: 1st. Presbytery urges our Churches, and

Report continued.

earnestly exhorts them, by the wants of a perishing world and the hopes that are now awakened by the facts recited above, to use their utmost power, to make their most vigorous efforts to secure general and large contributions for the great work to which the Church is called. When God opened wide the highways of the nations and disposed the hearts of many young men to enter, and so fulfilled the long-felt desire of the Church, let not the people of God, purchased by the Redeemer's blood from sin and hell, withhold the means of supporting the work and extending the blessings of the Gospel.

2nd. That Presbytery recommend to the Churches under its care to observe the monthly concert for prayer, and to the Ministers to preach to their respective charges on the subject of missions at least once in each year.

Respectfully submitted.

D. D. McBryde Agent.

Conducted.

Collection $34.46. up for Foreign Missions amounting to $34.46.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence was granted to Duncan Brown D. K. McDuffie and Malcom McNeill.

Systematic Benefiance.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence made the following report which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence would report that, as there are no additional facts before the Presbytery, the Stated Clerk be ordered to forward the same report to Synod, that was sent to the General

Assembly last Spring.

Report on Nominations.

The Committee on Nominations presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Nominations would make the following recommendations for action of Presbytery:

1st. That Rev. S. C. Alexander be added to visiting Committee for District No 4, of which Rev. A. S. Fergueson is Chairman.

2nd. That Rev. E. McNair D.D. be added to visiting Committee for District No. 6, of which Rev. H. McLean is Chairman.

3rd. That Rev. D. D. McBryde be re-elected a Trustee of Davidson College.

4. That the Committee of Home Missions be composed of Rev. H. G. Hill D.D. Rev. M. McLeod and Rev. David Fairley and Elders E. J. McKethan, W. J. Smith and Joseph A. McArthur.

5th. That the other Committees be re-elected without any change in the members.

Respectfully submitted.

A. S. Fergueson
G. M. Gibbs. } Committee.
D. McIntyre.

Concluded.

Minutes of Gen. Assembly.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly would submit the following:

We would call the attention of Presbytery—

1st. To the second resolution on page 367. of the printed Minutes, viz: That the General Assembly shall exert its influence upon the lower Courts to bring about their rigid inspection of all accounts, and systematic and exact management of money matters

Report Continued. by all diaconal officers of our Congregations.

2nd, To the disposition of the Directory of Worship on page 369, viz: That the Presbyteries be directed to take up the work again for a fresh examination and report the results to the next Assembly, and that a Committee be appointed to report thereon.

3rd. To the third section of the Overture from Bethel Presbytery relative to Ministerial Education, found on page 370. and would advise the careful consideration of the said Overture, with the view of taking action on said matter at our Spring meeting of Presbytery.

Signed. D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, A. F. Graham. } Committee.

Concluded.

Com. on Directory. On motion, the following Committee was appointed to report on the Directory of Worship: D. D. McBryde, H. G. Hill D.D. and A. K. McDermid.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to John McDonald and D. McKinnon.

Narrative to Synod. The Committee on the Narrative to Synod submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body:

Report of Committee on the Narrative to Synod:

The Committee on the Narrative to Synod would report the following facts as indicating the state of Religion within the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery:

1st. All of our Churches have enjoyed the stated preaching of the Word during the past year without two

Narrative Continued. exceptions.

2nd. The Sacraments have been valued and regularly administered.

3rd. Weekly prayer-meetings, or such meetings in connection with Sabbath-School exercises, are maintained in some of our Congregations, but are not so generally observed as advancing piety demands.

4th. The Sabbath is habitually observed as a holy day, but not with the strictness that is to be desired.

5th. Family worship and private instruction receive a good degree of attention, but some professing Christians treat them with neglect.

6th. Sabbath-Schools are established in most of our; some of them have several schools, and much interest is shown in teaching the young.

7th. Most of our Churches have some plan of systematic giving, and contribute to all the objects of Church benevolence, but not with the liberality required by the wants of Christ's Kingdom.

8th. Believers give evidence of growing in knowledge and Christian graces.

9th. No extensive work of grace has been witnessed in our bounds, but our Churches report additions of from one to thirty six. Three Churches mention ninety-two additions, and the aggregate increase in the Churches reporting is 189. members.

10th. Our people are making increasing efforts to support their ministers, improving their houses of worship and maintain gospel ordinances.

11th. The work of Home missions is making some

Narrative

progress, as shown by the organizing of several societies for promoting them and the building of a number of Chapels on the confines of settled Charges.

12th A growing interest in Foreign Missions is attested by the efforts of many Ladies' Missionary Societies, the contributions of Sabbath-Schools, and the exertions to circulate the Missionary. Yet our endeavours in behalf of this Cause fall short of our ability and duty.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

H. G. Hill.

Statistical Report.

The Stated Clerk read the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded:

Statistical Report to Synod.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the Synod of North Carolina, that, at present, they consist of 21 Ministers, and have under their care 51 Churches and 3 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 6th day of April 1881, they dismissed, at his own request, Licentiate Lauchlin A. McLean to place himself under the care of the Presbytery of Greenbrier; that on the 7th day of April 1881, they received, by letter, Rev. Evander McNair D.D. from the Presbytery of Ouachita; that on the same day they received, by letter, Rev. S. C. Alexander from Mecklenburg Presbytery; that on the 14th day of October 1881, they dissolved the pastoral relation between Rev. K. M. McIntyre, and Mineral Spring Church; that on the 17th day of July 1881, they organized the Church of White Hill, Moore County, N.C. and that the next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Antioch Church, Robeson

County, N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1882, at 12, o'clock M.

Respectfully submitted by order of Presbytery.

Sardis Church, Oct. 15th 1881. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Church visitation.

Rev. A. S. Ferguson, Chairman of Visiting Committee in District No. 4, reported that they had visited Bethel Church.

300 Copies.

On motion, the Stated Clerk was ordered to publish 300 Copies of our Minutes, and also an abstract in the North Carolina Presbyterian.

Vote of thanks.

The following vote of thanks was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the grateful thanks of the Presbytery of Fayetteville are tendered to the Congregation of Sardis Church and the members of sister Churches for their kind hospitality in entertaining the Presbytery, and request that this resolution be made from the pulpit to morrow by the Stated Supply.

Report of Finance Com.

The Committee of Finance submitted their report, which was accepted, and they were directed to pay over the funds in their hands to the Treasurer of Presbytery. (See appendix.)

The Minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator, at Salisbury, N.C. during the sessions of Synod.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic Benediction.

Adjourned.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Salisbury.

Salisbury, N.C. Nov. 4th 1881.

Presbytery met at the call of Rev. Roger Martin, the last Moderator present, and was opened with prayer. Ministers present - J. P. McPherson, G. M. Gibbs, M. McQueen, James McQueen, J. Evans and A. N. Ferguson. Ruling Elder, Gilbert Patterson, Centre Church.

On motion, Rev. K. G. Heck D.D. was nominated as Moderator for our Spring Sessions 1882.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Antioch Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1882, at 12. O'clock M. Closed with prayer.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Antioch

The Stated Clerk read the Statistical Report to Synod, which was approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded:

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Respectfully submitted, by order of Presbytery,

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

SARDIS CHURCH, N. C., October 15th, 1881.

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J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

Mineral Spring, A. M. N. Harris; Mt. Tabor, D. S. Smith; Philadelphus, J. T. Smith;

APPENDIX.

COLLECTED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE OCTOBER 1881.

NAME OF CHURCH.	Sustentation	Evangelistic Work	Invalid Fund	Foreign Missions	Education	Publication	Presbyterial	Colportage	Coloured Evangelistic	Total
	$	$	$	$	$		$	$	$	$
Barbecue		12 00					$6 50			6 50
Bethesda							12 00			12 00
Ben-Salem							5 00			5 00
Church of Covenant	5 50	5 50	5 00		6 00	5 57	5 00			27 57
Flat Branch		5 00	4 00							9 00
Harmony				5 00						5 00
Iona		13 27					1 97		55	2 52
Laurel Hill	2 40						3 00			13 27
Mark's Creek		5 23								5 40
Smyrna		4 50	3 82	3 38				1 87		5 23
Sherwood										13 57
Total	$7 90	$45 50	$12 82	$8 38	$6 00	$5 57	$16 47	$1 87	$ 55	$105 06

Respectfully submitted,

E. T. McKETHAN,
WALTER J. SMITH,
A. K. McDIARMID, } Committee.

Statement of Funds Received from April 1st, 1881, to September 30th, 1881.

HOME MISSIONS (SUSTENTATION).

1881.		1881.	
April 1—Cash in bank	$129 99	15 per cent. of $21 50 for Assembly's Committee	$ 3 23
Contributions since by 8 Ch's	21 50	Aug. 8—Paid Rev. A. McQueen	10 00
		Oct. 1—Cash in bank	138 26
Total	$151 49		$151 49

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

April 4th—Cash in bank	$292 90	15 per ct. of $41 18 for As. Com.	$ 6 16
17 Churches contributed since	41 18	Oct. 1—Cash in bank	327 92
	$334 08		$334 08

COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

March 31—Cash in bank	$37 50	15 per ct. of $9 15 for As. Com.	$ 1 37
3 Churches contributed since	9 15	Paid to Rev. A. McQueen	40 00
		Cash in bank	5 28
	$46 65		$46 65

INVALID FUND.

April 4—Cash in bank	$ 9 57	June 7—Sent to Dr. McIlwaine,	$ 20 07
Contributed since by 31 Ch's	135 73	Sept. 30—Cash in bank	125 23
	$145 30		$145 30

PUBLICATION.

April 1—Cash in bank	$16 59	June 16—Sent to Dr. Hazen	$90 37
Contributed since by 14 Ch's	76 88	Sept. 30—Cash in bank	5 52
Sept. 1—Lumberton	2 42		
	$95 89		$95 89

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Cash in bank, as per last report	$ 67 72	Sent to Dr. McIlwaine	$372 50
Contributed since by 30 churches, Sabbath Schools and Ladies' Societies	453 00	Cash in bank	148 22
Total from all sources	$520 72		$520 72

EDUCATION.

Contributed by 7 Churches	$58 43	Oct. 1—Cash in bank	$58 43

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COLPORTAGE.

April 1—Cash in bank	$28 62	Oct. 1—Cash in bank	$56 72
Contributed since by 8 Ch's	28 10		
	$56 72		$56 72

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

April 4—Cash in bank	$ 91 03	Paid out	$272 60
Collected since	421 75	Sept 30—Cash in bank	240 18
	$512 78		$512 78

COLOURED INSTITUTE.

March 31—Cash in bank	$11 31	Sept. 30.—Cash in bank	$20 46
Contributed by 3 Churches	9 15		
	$20 46		$20 46

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

April 1—Cash on hand	$50 00	Oct. 1—Cash in People's Bank	$50 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McPHERSON,

Treasurer of Presbytery.

September 30, 1881.

Antioch

Antioch Church, Robeson County, N.C.

One Hundred and Thirty-Eighth Sessions.

April 5th, 1882.

Opening Sermon, Text.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Evander McNair D.D. from First Epistle to Timothy, 4:16. "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee."

Organized, Min. Pres.

After sermon, Dr. McNair, the retiring moderator, took the Chair, called the Presbytery to order, and constituted the sessions with prayer.

Ministers Present; Hector McLean, Evander McNair D.D. J. P. McPherson, George M. Gibbs, A. McMillan, S. C. Alexander, D. D. McBryde, M. McQueen, A. McQueen, H. G. Hill D.D. Joseph Evans, John H. Cobb and Roger Martin.

Churches represented.

Churches represented; Antioch, Col. A. McMillan; Ashpole, A. S. Rein; Bethel, N. M. McFadyen; Carthage, W. J. Stewart; Bethesda, Neill S. Graham; Big-Rockfish, J. A. McFadyen; Centre, A. A. McLean; Cypress, D. G. Smith; Garrison, Daniel McIntyre; Hopkinsia, E. J. Harrington; Laurel Hill, H. McN. Sykes; Lauchlinburgh, Angus Bluc; Lumber Bridge, D. A. Mallory; Lumberton, J. A. McAllister; Mineral Spring, A. McN. Berrie; Mt. Tabor, D. S. Smith; Philadelphus, J. P. Smith;

Shoe Heel, W. J. Currie; St. Paul; D. McNair; and White Hill, Hugh Jackson.

Min. Absent. Ministers Absent: Neil McKay D.D. James McLean, N. T. Borden, David Fairley, A. N. Ferguson, K. McIntyre, W. S. Lacy and D. A. McRae.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented: Barbacou, Bethlehem, Ben-Salem, Buffalo, China Grove, Church of the Covenant, Harmony, Fayetteville, Iona, Long-Street, Lebanon, Mark's Creek, Macedonia, Montpelier, McPherson's, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis, Sandy Grove, Sharon, Smyrna, St. Andrew's, Sherwood, Tirzah and Union.

Moderator. Clerks. Rev. H. G. Hill D.D. was chosen Moderator, and Messrs J. A. McAllister and Daniel McIntyre, Temporary Clerks.

Recess. On motion, Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met and proceeded to business.

R. Elders appear. Ruling Elders, Walter J. Smith, of Bluff Church, John E. Elliott of Sardis Church, Dr. A. McDougald of McPherson's, A. S. Baker of Lebanon, and M. E. Dye, of Fayetteville, appeared in Presbytery, tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled.

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting of Presbytery was dispensed with.

Rev. D. A. McRae. A Communication from Rev. D. A. McRae, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence, was read.

Rev. Messrs Roger Martin, J. H. Cobb and Joseph Evans tendered satisfactory reasons for absence from last meeting of Presbytery.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

1. Devotional Exercises - Rev Hector McLean, Elders, Col. A. McAllister and Dr. Evander McNair.

2. Finance - W. J. Stewart, W. J. Currie.

3. Judicial Committee - Dr. Evander McNair, J. C. Alexander and Neil S. Graham.

4. Narrative to General Assembly - G. A. Gibbs, K. McIntyre and J. A. McFadyen.

5. Systematic Beneficence - Joseph Evans, A. N. Ferguson and E. J. Harrington.

6. Colleges and Schools - Roger Martin, David Fairley and J. P. Smith.

7. Reciprocal Duties - W. S. Lacy, N. McLean, A. Blue.

8. Minutes of Synod - D. D. McRae, Bryde John H. Cobb and D. A. Mallory.

Sessional Records. 9. Committee on Sessional Records - 1st Rev. A. McLean Elder A. McK. Currie - Churches - first name on roll except Bethel.

2nd - Rev. J. C. Alexander, Elder A. S. Baker - Bethel and churches from Buffalo through Raphania;

3rd Rev. N. McLean, Elder D. McNair; churches from Fayetteville through Lebanon.

4th Rev. A. N. Ferguson, D. G. Smith Churches from Scotch Bridge through Mt. Carmel.

5th Rev. Roger Martin. Elder A. A. McLean - Churches from Mt. Pisgah through Sandy Grove except Shoe Heel.

6th. Rev. A. McMillan - Elder D. S. Smith - Churches from Shorem through White Hills, and Shoe Heel.

Absentees from Synod. A Communication from Rev. W. S. Lacy, Stated Clerk of Synod, in reference to absentees from last meeting of Synod, was read and referred to the Committee on the Minutes of Synod.

Reports &c. Reports on the State of Religion and Sessional Reports of the different Churches were then read and referred to their appropriate Committees.

H. Black. Mr. Hugh Black, Ruling Elder of Flat Branch Church, appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness and his name was enrolled.

Adjourned. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at half past nine o'clock A.M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Antioch Church, April 6th 1882.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

J. A. McD. Ruling Elder, J. A. McDonald, of Mount Creek Church appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Treasurer's Report. The Treasurer of Presbytery submitted and read his annual report, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

A motion was made to increase the salary of the Treasurer, which was referred to the same Committee.

Call - A call from McPherson Church for the pastoral

services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs for one half of his time at a salary of $300, was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Bethel S.S. Application of Bethel Church for the services of Rev. E. McNair D.D. as Stated Supply, for one third of his time, and of Chinn Grove Church for services of Rev.

Chinn Grove S.S. G. M. Gibbs for one fourth of his time, was also referred to the same Committee.

Sabbath Schools. Rev. John H. Cobb was, on motion, appointed Presbyterial Agent, pro tem, of Sabbath Schools.

Ashpole Application of Ashpole Church for permission to employ Rev. N. M. Brearly, of Harmony Presbytery, as Stated Supply one half his time at a salary of

Brearly. $400, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

J. G. Whitlock. Mr. J. G. Whitlock, Ruling Elder of Smyrna Church, appeared in Presbytery, rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Order of the day fixed. On motion, it was made the first order of the day for to-morrow morning to hear the Report of the Committee on Home Missions, and the first order of the day for the afternoon to hear the Report of the Committee of Education.

The Report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage was, on motion, made the second order of the day for the afternoon.

The Report of the Agent of Foreign Missions was made the special order of the day for 11 o'clock A.M. Saturday.

A. N. F. Rev. A. N. Ferguson appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Order of the day S. S. The Report of the Agent of Sabbath-Schools was made the second Order of the day for to-morrow morning.

Reports on Reciprocal Duties to be recorded. On motion, the following resolution in regard to the Reports on Reciprocal Duties, was adopted:

Resolved, That, hereafter, the Reports on Reciprocal Duties, from Sessions and Ministers, shall be made for the Ecclesiastical year ending 1st of Each April, recorded in the Session Book as the last entry for each year; reviewed by the Committee on Sessional Records; and if wanting in any Session book, shall constitute a ground for exception, to be noted by said Committee.

Preaching. On motion, Presbytery took recess till after public worship.

Recess. Presbytery then rose and took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met.

D. M. G. Ray. Dr. M. G. Ray, Ruling Elder of Galatia Church, appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Rev. D. D. McBryde was substituted for Rev. D. Fairly on the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Rev. M. S. L. Rev. M. S. Laey appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

E. Elders. Ruling Elders, Duncan Davis of Shiloh Church, and Peter Munroe, of Sandy Grove Church, appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to J. A. McDonald after this afternoon Session, on account of sickness in his family.

Place & time of next meeting. On motion, Sharon Church, Cumberland County, N. C. was unanimously chosen as the place for holding our Fall Sessions, and Friday before the third Sabbath in September 1882, at 11 o'clock A. M. was fixed as the time.

Commissioners & Ex. Elds. Rev. Roger Martin and Ruling Elder David McCallum were elected as Commissioners to the next General Assembly, and Rev. M. McQueen and Ruling Elder, N. J. Stewart as alternates.

Sessional Records approved. The Committee on Sessional Records of Smyrna, St. Pauls Union, White Hill and Shoe Heel, reported, recommending their approval as far as written; and also Ashpole, Bluff, Big-Rockfish and Antioch; and, with exceptions, those of Bethesda and Mineral Spring, which was adopted.

The Records of Mt. Zion, Philadelphus with special mention of commendation for accuracy, neatness and fulness, and, with exceptions, Sardis, Salem and Sandy Grove were also approved.

The Records of Lumberton, with exceptions, were approved.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to Rev. A. McMillan and Ruling Elder, A. S. Baker, after this afternoon.

Records approved. Records of Galatia, Laurel Hill Laurinburg and Lumberton, approved as far as written.

Continued. Bethel, Cypress, Cameron, Sherwood, Mark's Creek, Centre, Euphronia, Buffalo, Lumberbridge and Mt. Pisgah were approved and Mt. Carmel with exceptions.

K. A. McLeod. Ruling Elder, Kenneth A. McLeod of Mt. Carmel Church appeared, assigned satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Leave of Absence. Leave of absence, after to-day was granted to A. M. N. Currie.

Special Committee. Rev. D. D. McBryde and Rev. S. C. Alexander, with Ruling Elder, Dr. A. McDougald, were appointed a special Committee to take into consideration the subject of Ministerial Education as suggested in the Overture of Bethel Presbytery to the General Assembly, and that the subject be taken up in connection with the report of the Committee of Education.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Board of deacons to report to the Session &c. Resolved, That the Presbytery remind the Churches of the requirement of the Book of Church Order, Chapter 4, section 4, paragraph 4, that deacons hold regular meetings, and the records of such meetings be submitted at least annually to the sessions for review. And the Presbytery hereby notify the sessions, that a failure on their part to review these records of the Board of deacons, and to make record of such review, shall be held by the Presbytery to furnish grounds of exception.

The Presbytery further recommends to the Pastors and Stated Supplies of Churches to instruct the Deacons

Conducted. as to their duties enjoined, and preside at the regular meetings of the board of deacons.

Visiting Committees. First Visiting Committee reported nothing done. The second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth made same report.

Instruction. On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Chairman of each Visiting Committee be authorized on special occasions requiring such a course, to summon any minister not belonging to his Committee, to act with said Committee or to constitute a part of each Visiting Committee.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9½ o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Antioch Church, April 7th, 1882.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Leave of absence, after this morning's session was granted to A. S. Cook, J. E. Elliott, Hugh Black and E. J. Harrington.

Leave of absence.

The Records of Fayetteville Church were approved as far as written.

Records approved.

The Committee on Reciprocal Duties submitted their report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

Report on Reciprocal Duties.

Report of Committee on Reciprocal Duties.

The Committee to whom were referred the reports on Reciprocal Duties respectfully report:

Reports have been received from the Churches of Fayetteville, Laurel Hill, Laurinburgh, Mac Ezel,

Continued. Buffalo, Centre, Smyrna Euphronica, Carthage and Philadelphia, and from the Ministers of those Churches Rev. H. G. Heilt D.D. Rev. A. N. Ferguson, Rev. J. H. Cobb, Rev. Roger Martin, Rev. W. S. Lacy, Rev. M. McLaren and Rev. H. McLean.

In the Churches of Fayetteville, Buffalo, Euphronia, Laurel Hill, Centre, Shaw Heal, Laurinburgh and Philadelphia the pecuniary obligations are fully met — in Laurel Hill more than met. In all these but Philadelphia there are no arrearages for past years.

In Smyrna and Carthage churches there are arrearages for the present and for previous years; but there are efforts to overtake them, and there is evidence of improvement. The Ministers report in general, fidelity in official duties on the part of Church officers, and co-operation and regard on the part of Church members. Special mention may be made of Laurel Hill and Laurinburgh.

The Elders and Deacons certify to the official fidelity of their ministers, and testify their affection and esteem. The support promised is reported as sufficient in its proportions of the ministers' time except in the case of Philadelphia Church, and except for the delay in Smyrna Church.

If the few reports received are a just representation of the discharge of reciprocal duties in the whole Presbytery, there is good reason for satisfaction and gratitude. We have reason to fear, however, that those who have failed to report have not so good

a report to make.

Your Committee have no recommendations to offer.

W. S. Lacy Chairman.

Concluded. The first order of the day, viz: the Report of the Committee of Home Missions, was presented and read by the Chairman, Dr. Heilt.

Home Missions

Pending the consideration of this report, Presbytery took a recess till after public worship.

Mr. J. Blue. After recess Presbytery met. Ruling Elder Malcom J. Blue, of Unity Church, appeared, tendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Rev. K. McDonald. Rev. Kenneth McDonald, of Wilmington Presbytery, being present, was, on motion, invited to sit as a corresponding member. He was introduced by the Moderator to Presbytery and received by a rising vote.

Recess. Presbytery then took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery resumed the consideration of the unfinished business, viz: the report of the Committee of Home Missions, which was adopted:

H. Missions.

Report on Home Missions.

The Home Missions Committee would report to Presbytery for the year ending April 1st, 1882, as follows:

1.st — As to Ministerial support. We have twenty one ordained ministers. Eighteen of these are engaged in preaching regularly; three are employed in teaching and other pursuits, and fifteen are occupied by pastoral charges, which furnish them quite an nearly and adequate support.

Continued. The average salary promised labouring ministers fully occupied by paying charge is $578. This average is an advance of $19. upon last year.

2nd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year, your Treasurer reports 41 Churches and some Ladies' Societies and Sabbath-Schools as contributing to Sustentation $217.53. The number of contributing Churches reported is 6 less than last year and there is a decrease in amount of $29.14.

Few of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the year.

Last fall the Home Missions Committee made appropriations for the last six months of 1881. as follows:

For Salem Church	$30.00.
" Rockingham Church	" 50.00.
" Cypress Church, to repair building	50.00.
Whole amount paid	$130.00.

The appropriations to Salem and Rockingham have been paid. That to Cypress has not yet been applied for, as it was to be paid when their building approached completion.

For the current year the following appropriations have been made—

To Harmony Church for six months	$25.00
" Salem " " " " "	25.00
" Long-Street " " " " "	12.50
making	$62.50.

These amounts have been paid, and leave to the credit of Sustentation, after deducting the 15 per

Continued. cent for the Assembly's Committee, April 1st 1882, $147.40.

The appropriations from this fund for any other object, and to the Churches already aided, for the remaining six months of the year, must depend upon the contributions hereafter reported.

Our people should be urged to greater liberality towards the Sustentation fund, by considering the wants of feeble Churches, not only within our own Presbytery, but throughout the bounds our Southern Assembly.

3rd. As to Contributions and Appropriations for for Evangelistic Work.

For the year your Treasurer reports 38 Churches as contributing to this cause $283.88.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	42.58.
Leaves balance	$241.30
Add balance on hand April 1st 1881 after paying 15 per cent	292.90.
To be appropriated in our hands	$534.20

Thirteen Churches are not reported as contributing to Evangelistic work in a year.

Eight Churches have given to the Coloured Evangelistic Work in . . . . . $28.38.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	3.25.
Leaves to be expended	$25.13

There is to the credit of this fund after deducting the amount paid out $12.63. At the spring meeting of 1881, Presbytery engaged to pay Rev. D. A. McRae

Continued. The average salary promised labouring ministers fully accepted by paying charge is $578. This average is an advance of $19. upon last year.

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Ten of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the year.

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" Long-Street " " " " "	12.50
making	$62.50.

These amounts have been paid, and leave to the credit of Sustentation, after deducting the 15 per

Continued. cent for the Assembly's Committee, April 1st 1882, $147.40.

The appropriation from this fund for any other objects, and to the Churches already aided, for the remaining six months of the year, must depend upon the contributions hereafter reported.

Our people should be urged to greater liberality towards the Sustentation fund, by considering the wants of feeble Churches, not only within our own Presbytery, but throughout the bounds our Southern Assembly.

3rd As to Contributions and Appropriations for for Evangelistic Work.

For the year your Treasurer reports 38 Churches as contributing to this cause	$283.88.
Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	42.58.
Leaves balance	$241.30
Add balance on hand April 1st 1881 after paying 15 per cent	292.90.
To be appropriated in our hands	$534.20

Thirteen Churches are not reported as contributing to Evangelistic work in a year.

Eight Churches have given to the Coloured Evangelistic work in | $28.38.
Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee | 3.25.
Leaves to be expended | $25.13

There is to the credit of this fund after deducting the amount paid out $12.63. At the spring meeting of 1881, Presbytery engaged to pay Rev. D. A. McRae

Continued. $50. for preaching at Mt. Pleasant and Mountain Grove Colored Churches one Sabbath in the month. In December last $25. of this amount was paid, partly from the Sustentation fund and partly from the Colored Evangelistic Fund. The remaining $25. must be paid, if it appears that Bro. Mc. Rae rendered these Churches the service contemplated for a year.

No appropriation has been made from the White Evangelistic Fund for a year. Our Committee has had considerable correspondence for the purpose of securing an Evangelist and Colporteur for the Western part of our territory. The Chairman, by the direction of the Committee, some weeks ago, tendered the position to Rev. Kenneth McDonald upon a guaranteed salary of $50 per month, besides what he might be able to make by the sale of books as Presbyterial Colporteur.

4th. As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports 36 Churches as contributing to this fund during the year $213.62.

Fifteen Churches have contributed nothing to this dept.

No appropriations have been asked from this fund for a year, as we know of none within our bounds entitled to its benefits.

5th. As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Mineral Spring – Rev. J. C. Alexander on Sab. & Sacrament.
Farkingburn – Rev. Eager Martin " " " "
Carbacue – Rev. J. F. McPherson " " " "

Concluded. Iona – Rev. Joseph Evans one Sab. & sacrament.
Montpelier – Rev. J. K. Cobb " " " "
Bethel – Rev. Evander McIver, D.D. " " " "

Respectfully Submitted
K. G. Reid Chairman.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence, for the afternoon was granted to J. R. McIntyre, and to J. G. Whitlock, R. M. S. Sykes, Dr. W. G. Ray and D. S. Smith after this afternoon.

Ruling Elder, Duncan McNair was granted leave of absence, and his alternate, Duncan Bethune, works in his stead. Dr. A. McDougald and Duncan Davis rose to tender their leave of absence.

Calls & Supplies. On motion, the Committee on Calls and Supplies was constituted an Executive Committee.

Vacant Churches to be supplied by Executive Committee. The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the oversight of vacant Churches be committed to a Committee consisting of the Chairmen of the Committee of Home Missions, the Chairman of Committee on Calls and Supplies and the Chairman of the Visiting Committee within whose bounds the Church or Churches concerned may be situated; that this Committee shall use all proper endeavours to organize these Churches into ministerial Charges, and that no Church shall form any engagement with a Minister without consulting this Committee.

Sab. Schools. The Report of the Agent of Sabbath Schools, Rev. W. S. Lacy, being the second on of the day for this morning, was taken up, read and adopted. (See Appendix A.)

S. Schools Continued.

An additional report on the same subject by Mr. Lacy was also adopted and ordered to be printed in the body of the Minutes, viz:

The Agent would again call attention:

1st. To the paucity of reports and in some instances, to the meagreness of those sent in.

Having more than 5000 members, surely there are more than 2000 children in Sabbath Schools. Of fifty one Churches surely there are more than twenty eight Sabbath Schools. It is gratifying, however, that there has been progress in these particulars.

2. To the importance of a proper care of Sabbath Schools. It is the part of wisdom to make the best and most attractive possible provision for the Sunday School; faithful supervision of pastor and Session, the choice of teachers and their training, the instruction of the children and youth. These things demand earnest thought and care.

We would recommend the following action:

Resolved, That our Churches be urged to exercise great care and wisdom in the conduct of Sabbath Schools, and to make proper provision for the religious training of the committee to them.

Resolved, That they be directed to make out the reports required by the Assembly and the Presbytery with greater fulness and fidelity.

M. S. Lacy, Agent.

The above report was amended, as follows:

S. S. Convention.

Resolved, That there be a Sunday School Convention held, the time and place and topics to be referred to a Committee, the Agent being Chairman.

Report on Education.

The Report of the Committee of Education, being the first order of the day for this afternoon, was taken up, read and adopted.

Report of the Committee of Education.

Your Committee beg leave to report, that we have now three Candidates for the ministry under the care of Presbytery. Mr. John D. Currie has completed his collegiate course at Davidson College, and is now pursuing his theological studies at Union Seminary. We have received no report from that Institution; but from our limited intercourse with Mr. Currie, and from all we can gather, we are encouraged to believe that he is a young man of sincere piety, of considerable force of character, and that he bids fair to make a useful laborer in the Master's vineyard.

Mr. K. A. McLeod, who was taken under our care last fall, will enter upon his academic course at Davidson College this fall.

Arrangements have been made with the Assembly's Executive Committee to afford him the full amount of assistance usually given.

The other Candidate, J. Mell. Clark, has not yet been put in communication with your Committee. As your Chairman was not at the fall meeting of Presbytery, when he was taken

Education Continued.

under our care, we can furnish Presbytery, at present, with no information in reference to him that it does not already know. He is now engaged in teaching in Montgomery County.

In addition to these three candidates, two young colored men have appeared before your Committee, invoking our advice and counsel in reference to their entering Tuskaloosa Institute. One, Leslie McLean, has been studying for some time under Rev. D. A. McRae, and was recommended by him. He was under the care of Bethel Colored Presbytery of South Carolina. The other, James McKellar, a member of the Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville, was recommended by Dr. McNeill of said Church and by the Pastor. He had been studying for some time in the Colored School in Fayetteville.

As your Committee had no authority to take them under our care, and as we deemed that this was an act that only the Presbytery itself could perform, your Committee could only state these facts to Dr. Gillman, President of Tuscaloosa, and commend these young men to him. Under these circumstances they were received into Tuskaloosa, and are now pursuing their studies there. But they are not under the care of this Presbytery, are not responsible to this body; nor is your Committee or this body responsible for them.

Education Continued.

Your Committee, however, deem it their duty to acquaint Presbytery with these facts, and leave it to your venerable body to take such action in the premises as your wisdom may dictate. We would only suggest respectfully to Presbytery whether, inasmuch as Mr. McKellar is a member of one of our Churches, it would be competent for this Body to afford him any assistance. We understand he is entirely without means. His travelling expenses to Tuskaloosa were defrayed, as we understand, by some generous member of Fayetteville Church.

Your Committee has heretofore asked no aid for either of these Colored men, and the Education Fund of the Assembly's Committee has not been subjected to any expense on their account.

In conclusion, your Committee would say that this important cause presents aspects more favorable and encouraging than at this time last year; and we are further encouraged by the fact, that our Churches have contributed more liberally, and more of them have contributed than last year. Nevertheless there is yet a very sad disproportion between the number of laborers who are entering the field and the vast extent of the whitening harvest. We would therefore respectfully suggest to Presbytery to recommend most earnestly and affectionately to all our Churches to observe the Saturday before the first Sabbath in July as a day of special prayer to the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth more labourers into the harvest, and

Education — to all our Ministers to make this prayer more frequently a part of their public ministrations.

Concluded. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Roger Martin, Chairman.

Jones McKellar. On motion, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That the Committee of Education be authorized to apply to the Assembly's Executive Committee, on behalf of Jones McKellar, for such aid as he may need in prosecuting his studies in Huskatoosie Institute.

The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted section by section, and then as a whole:

Report of the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Your Committee would recommend:—

1st. That in response to the application of Bethel Church for the services of Dr. Evander McNair as Stated Supply during the present year for one third of his time on a salary of $250, or more pro rata the request be granted.

Do. do. for Bethel.

2. That the request of Chinee Grove Church for the services of Rev. Geo. M. Gibbs as Stated Supply during the present year for one Sabbath in two months at a salary of one hundred and twenty five dollars ($125.) be granted.

Gibbs Chinee Grove.

3. That the request of Ashfield Church for the services of Rev. H. M. Brearly, of Hexamery Presbytery, S.C. as Stated Supply during the present

Ashfield Brearly.

year, for one half of his time on a salary of $400, be granted upon the distinct condition, that said Church take, at once, steps to prosecute the request before Hexamery Presbytery, of which Rev. Mr. Brearly is a member, and withdraw the consent of which it is not considered for him to labour within their bounds; and further, that Presbytery enjoin upon said Church to take the earliest practicable steps to seek the establishment of the Pastoral relation; and that Presbytery would advise the said Church to endeavour to unite with Lima and Lebanon Churches in forming a field which would require the services of a pastor for the whole of his time.

Call from N.P. Ch. for Mr. Gibbs.

4. That in respect to the Call from N. Presbyterian Church for the pastoral services of Rev. Geo. M. Gibbs for one half of his time on a salary of $300 per annum, to be paid quarterly, your Committee would report that the Call is, in all respects, in due form and according to the Book; that a very decided majority of the Congregation desire Mr. Gibbs to become their pastor, and that the minority are not personally opposed to Mr. Gibbs, but simply prefer a continuance of Stated Supply ship rather than the pastoral relation.

Your Committee therefore would recommend, that, inasmuch as it doesn't become Presbytery to encourage the continuance of so low a Presbytery to a measure as that of the Stated Supply, the Call be placed in Mr. Gibbs's hands.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Roger Martin, Chairman.

Call to be retained. The call from Mt. Pleasant Church for the pastoral services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs was, on motion, placed in his hands; and, at his request, he was allowed to retain said Call in his hands till the fall meeting of Presbytery.

Ministerial Education. The Report of the Special Committee on Ministerial Education was read and accepted, and, after some discussion, was, on motion, recommitted to the same Committee to report at our present Sessions.

Publication and Colportage. The Report of the Agent of Publication and Colportage, Rev. Joseph Evans, being the second order of the day for this afternoon was read and adopted:

Rev. J. Evans, Agent of Publication and Colportage respectfully reports as follows: That since the last meeting of Presbytery 37 Churches have contributed to the Cause of Publication $199.80, which together with cash on hand $16.59, makes to the credit of the Cause $216.19. It is gratifying to find that this is an increase of $40.27. But it is much to be regretted that nearly one third of our Churches have failed to contribute to this important Cause.

It is gratifying to be able to report that the debt that has been so long crippling the resources of the Publication Cause has been so far reduced that there is a good prospect that, with a good contribution from our Churches this year, it will be entirely cancelled.

In connection with Colportage your Agent has

Continued. to report, since the last Spring meeting of Presbytery, 16 Churches have contributed to this Cause $54.43, which, together with the cash on hand, $54.65, makes a total available amount for this Cause of $109.08.

It is much to be regretted that so many of our Churches have failed to discharge their duty in this respect. In one respect there has been an advance, viz: Mr. D. Bethune, our Colporteur, has been, according to his ability, circulating our literature in the ~~Western~~ portion of our bounds, and there is a prospect of Colportage work being done in the North-western portion of our Presbytery by an Evangelist (Rev. H. McDonald) selected to labour in that section. Joseph Evans, Agent.

Concluded. D. Bethune. Mr. Duncan Bethune, Presbyterial Colporteur, made a verbal report, which was accepted and his fidelity approved.

Minutes of Synod. The Committee appointed to examine and report on the Records of Synod ~~[illegible]~~ was read and adopted, and is as follows: viz:

The Committee appointed to examine and report on the Records of Synod would submit the following recommendations, viz:

1st That we urge upon the Ministers and Churches of this Presbytery to carry into practice the resolutions in the printed Minutes of Synod page 259, viz:

1st That in the selection of Sunday-School literature, the preference be given to the publications of our own Committee.

2nd That our Churches be brought up to the hearty

Continued. and liberal support of the Cause of Publication.

2nd That we approve of resolutions 1st and 2nd on page 260, recommending that, when practicable, each minister preach twice on the Sabbath and at different places.

3rd That, in conformity to the feeling of Synod, as recorded on page 264, of printed Minutes, Presbytery will require each Minister failing to attend, and each Church failing to be represented in Synod, without rendering a satisfactory excuse, to render such excuse to this Presbytery. (See a list of Ministers and Churches sent down by Clerk of Synod.)

Concluded. Respectfully submitted

D. D. McBryde Chairman.

Candidate. On motion, it was Resolved, That when Presbytery meets to-morrow morning it shall proceed to the examination of a candidate for the Gospel Ministry.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 9½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

Closed with prayer.

Antioch Church, April 8th 1882.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Barbacue-all expense paid. A Communication from the Session of Barbacue Church was presented and read by the Stated Clerk, in answer to the Citation of Presbytery, said letter inclosed a receipt in full from Rev. James McLean for all expenses, which, on motion, was pronounced satisfactory.

A. H. McAlpin pro. a candidate for the ministry. Mr. Archibald Hugh McAlpin was introduced to Presbytery by Rev. J. H. Cobb, as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry, being a member of Lacamburg church. Whereupon he was examined on his experimental acquaintance with Religion and his motives in seeking the Gospel Ministry.

On motion, this examination was sustained, and he was taken under the Care of Presbytery as a Candidate and referred to the Committee of Education.

Rev. J. H. Cobb was appointed to inform Mr. McAlpin of this action.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence submitted their Report, which was accepted and approved, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes, and a copy sent to the General Assembly. (See Appendix E.)

Rev. K. McDonald. On motion, Rev. Kenneth McDonald of Wilmington Presbytery, obtained permission to labor within our bounds for the next six months.

Narrative to Gen. Ass. The Committee on the Narrative on the State of Religion to the General Assembly, presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that Body. It is as follows:

Report of Committee on Narrative to General Assembly:

Through the good Providence of our God, our Presbytery has been brought together again, and permitted to contemplate in one view, the dealings of our Father with the Churches within our bounds during another Ecclesiastical year. This view presents the lights and shades of this Vale of tears. Through

Narrative continued.

which the Great Shepherd is leading the sheep of His flock. From the various facts reported, alternating as they do, between the pleasant and the unpleasant, it is no easy task to give a true account.

Our Presbytery embraces fifty one Churches. Of these only nine teen have reported on the state of Religion. From these we gather the following facts:

But we feel that we are first called upon to record with humble gratitude, the goodness and mercy of our God manifested toward us in that while He has called to their final rest so many of His labourers in other portions of His vineyard during the past year, no breach has been made in our little band. Our lines have not only been spared, but we have been blessed with health and strength to go forward in the discharge of our duties.

1st. The cause of temperance seems to claim so little attention. Only two reports it at all, and they have been compelled to bring the discipline of the Church to bear against. We fondly hope that, although intemperance prevails to an alarming extent in some parts of our bounds, the silence of the Churches on this subject indicates that the cause of temperance is, upon the whole, on the advance.

2nd. Sabbath Schools, Bible Classes and instruction in the Shorter Catechism have to have advanced beyond former years. Our Churches for the most part appear to be waking up in some good degree of religious activity

Narrative continued.

instructing the rising and rising generation.

3rd. We are glad to learn from these reports that the Sabbath is more sacredly regarded than in former days, especially by the members of our Communion. But there is still much room for improvement. For every encroachment of the kingdom of darkness upon the sacredness of the Lord's day is just as much injury to true, vital practical Christianity

4th. The contributions to sustain the benevolent operations of the Church at large have not been as abundant as they should be, but it is gratifying to state that they have been greater than in former years, some of our Churches report a very considerable advance.

5th. Prayer-meetings have not been maintained, as a general thing, as they should have been, nor has the monthly concert of prayer been generally observed, and several reports deeply lament the neglect of family worship.

6th. To most of our Churches there have been some additions, but no general outpouring of the Spirit upon any of our Churches. And we have to record, with deep humility, that in the bounds of our Presbytery only 120 members have been added. This fact should kept within us a deeper humility, closer self-examination, and a more lively zeal in spreading around us the light of the whole truth, both in doctrine and in practice and to pray daily to God for an abundant outpouring of His Holy Spirit.

Respectfully submitted. G. A. Gibbs Chairman

Included, resolutions be supplied.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Presbytery hereby heartily second the effort of Synod to supply the destitutions in its bounds by special

Concluded. exertion, and commend the cause to the benefactions of all who love the Presbyterian Church and the Religion of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Foreign Missions. The hour for the order of the day, viz: the Report on Foreign Missions, having arrived, that subject was taken up, when, by request of the Agent, Rev. W. S. Lacy preached an appropriate sermon from 2d Kings, 7: 9. "Then said they one to another, we do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace".

The Report was then read by the Agent, Rev. D. D. McBryde, which was accepted, and, on a motion to adopt, was discussed and then adopted. It is as follows, viz:

Report. Report on Foreign Missions.

Your Agent for Foreign Missions would submit the following report:

At the time of our last report the aspect of the foreign missionary work was encouraging and hopeful. All our mission stations were occupied by efficient and devoted heralds of the cross. The contributions of the Churches were largely in advance of the previous year. Our Committee of Missions was enabled to reduce the previous indebtedness and to send out a number of new recruits to supply the pressing want of the various mission stations. The prospect at this time is less encouraging. The additional force lately sent forth requires the continued and increased liberality of the Church. The work in its very nature must be progressive. It cannot stand still. It must go forward or it will inevitably retrograde.

Report Continued. The total contributions of the Churches for the cause of Missions for last year was $47,893.00, or, in round numbers 33 cents per member. Our own Synod, with a membership 18,582, contributed $5,917.00, which is about 32 cents per member. The Presbytery of Fayetteville, with a membership of 5,113, contributed $1003.00, less than 20 cents per member. The report of our Treasurer, just received, shows the contributions of the Churches of this Presbytery for the current year to be only 11 cts per member. This will, no doubt, be increased by the contributions of the months of April and May. But the indications from the reports from all sources up to the present time, are that there will be a falling off from the amounts of last year.

While $60.000. were imperatively needed for efficiently carrying on the work, the indications are that it will not reach $47,000. – the amount of last year's contributions.

While portions of our Country have suffered from drought, which will reasonably reduce the contributions of the Churches in those regions, yet other sections have been blessed with abundant crops, and the wealth of our whole Country has probably increased, but its liberality has not abounded.

Under these discouraging circumstances, what is to be done? How shall we, as an integral part of the Church of our Divine Redeemer, approve ourselves to Him? He has laid upon us the momentous duty of giving the Gospel to every creature. While derelict to this duty we have no right to expect the presence and blessing of God upon our labours or upon our Churches.

J. Missions Continued.

Is it strange, that when the cry of the perishing and perishing millions of Earth is mocked with the crumbs from our tables, that our cries should fail to reach the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth?

In Conclusion the following recommendations are offered:

1st. That the duty of earnest and believing prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the calling of more labourers into the vineyard of the Lord be urged upon all our Churches.

2nd. That more earnest and persistent efforts be made to extend the circulation of The Missionary, and to keep our respective charges fully informed as to the prospects and wants of the great work of the Church.

3rd. That all our ministers and Stated Supplies preach one sermon on the subject of Missions to their Churches annually.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

D. D. McBryde, Agent.

Collection $30.64.

At the close of these services a collection for Foreign Missions was taken up, amounting to $30.64, and paid over to the Treasurer of Presbytery.

Leave of absence.

Leave of absence, after this morning's session was granted to Rev. J. K. Cobb and Ruling Elders Neil Graham and Angus Blue.

Recess.

Presbytery then took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met.

Academy.

On motion, a Committee, consisting of Rev. J. M. Gibbs and M. E. Dye, was appointed to make nominations to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Donaldson Academy.

Supplies.

Supplies reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Rev. S. C. A., Mineral Spring Ch.

On motion, Rev. S. C. Alexander was appointed in place of Rev. Dr. McNair D. D. to preach at Mineral Spring Church and declare said church vacant when it satisfactorily appears that said church has settled all arrears due to the former pastor.

Revised Directory.

The following report on the Revised Directory was read and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly:

The Committee appointed to examine the Revised Directory for worship sent down by the last General Assembly for our approval or disapproval, made report, That we have examined said Directory and find gratifying evidence of improvement. The objectionable features have been left out, and it is now presented to us in a condensed and systematic form which we hope will be acceptable to the Church. We therefore recommend its approval.

D. D. McBryde
H. G. Hill — Committee.

This report was adopted.

Overture.

Overture.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully overture the General Assembly, That with a view of providing a thorough training for the Ministry (subject to such restrictions and limitations as the Assembly shall deem necessary) for that numerous class of active, able and highly competent men who have never enjoyed the advantages of a classical education, and who, in the judgment of Presbytery are debarred from pursuing such a course of study, the Assembly lend its sanction to the establishment

Overture in our Seminaries of a course of exegetical study of the Scriptures in the English language, and that this provision be carefully restricted to this class of Candidates

In making this overture, the Presbytery would, at the same time, distinctly and emphatically state, that it does not wish in the slightest degree to encourage any tendency toward lowering the Standard of ministerial education, or to alter the Constitution of our Church or its venerable practice.

adopted. On motion, this Overture was adopted and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the General Assembly.

D. College. Rev. Martin McLaurin addressed Presbytery on the interests of Davidson College.

Trustees D. Academy. The Special Committee, appointed to make nominations to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of Davidson Academy, reported as follows, which was adopted:

The following trustees are dead, viz: W. B. Wright, President of the Board, S. J. Hawley, A. McLean, J. Kerr, W. McL. McKay, K. McDonald, and A. S. McNeill.

Rep. The following were elected in their place: E. T. McKethan, G. P. McNeill, G. M. Rose, N. W. Ray, William Elliott, M. Davis Smith, and J. A. McArthur.

Committee of Finance. The Committee of Finance submitted their report, which was accepted and the statistical part ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes. (See App. D.)

Your Committee beg leave to report, that they have examined the Book and vouchers of your Treasurer; but inasmuch as he has not furnished us with a report of the year's transactions

Continued, we have not the necessary data to make a report that would be satisfactory to ourselves, or just either to your Treasurer or the Presbytery; we therefore respectfully recommend, that you appoint a Committee consisting of Rev. H. G. Wells and E. T. McKethan, to examine and audit the Book and vouchers of your Treasurer and report at the Fall meeting of Presbytery.

We recommend further, that Presbytery enjoin the observance of the rule requiring that the funds for the various objects of beneficence be remitted to the Assembly's Treasurer at the end of every two months.

With reference to motions to increase the salary of your Treasurer from $50. to $75. per annum referred to this Committee, we recommend, that, for the present, there be no change.

Your Committee respectfully recommend that the blanks furnished the Churches for monthly Sessional Reports be made to contain an additional column, in which the Clerks of Sessions shall be required to give a correct statement of the amounts actually paid to the Treasurer of Presbytery up to the first day of April, the close of the Ecclesiastical year.

Concluded, Respectfully submitted.

M. J. Stuart } Finance
M. J. Currie } Committee.

New Blanks ordered. The following resolution was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Clerks be instructed to prepare blanks for Sessional statistical reports with columns for amounts actually paid to the Treasurer, and also

are for the contributions of the Ladies' Missionary societies.

Judicial Committee. The Judicial Committee reported that no papers had been placed in their hands and asked to be discharged; which was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Statistical Report to Gen. Ass. The Stated Clerk read the Statistical Report to the General Assembly, which was accepted and approved and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body: viz;

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, That at present they consist of 21 Ministers, and have under their care 51 Churches and 4 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 17th day of July 1881 they organized the Church of White Hill, Moore County, N.C. and that on the 14th day of October 1881, they dissolved the the pastoral relation between Rev. K. M. McIntyre and Mineral Spring Church.

Respectfully submitted.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Vote of thanks. The following vote of thanks was unanimously adopted;

Resolved, That the thanks of this Presbytery are eminently due and are hereby heartily tendered to the good people of Antioch Church for their kind and generous hospitality and the many agreeable courtesies extended to this body.

Religious Exercises. The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a final report which was accepted and the Committee discharged.

Minutes. On motion, it was ordered that 300 copies of

to be published. our present Minutes be published for distribution among our Ministers and Churches, and that an abstract be furnished to the N.C. Presbyterian.

Lumberton Church was transferred from the sixth to the third district.

General Report. The General Report to the General Assembly was read by the Stated Clerk, approved, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that body (see Appendix E.)

Trials for J. D. Currie. The following trial pieces were assigned to Mr. John D. Currie, one of our Candidates, viz:

Latin Thesis: "An anima immortalis sit?"

Popular Sermon - Romans 5: 1 and second verse.

Lecture - First Psalm.

Critical Exercise - Romans 6: 4 - and 6 verses.

Moderator. Rev. K. M. McIntyre was, on motion, nominated as Moderator at our fall sessions.

Sermon on Sabbath. On motion, Rev. K. M. McIntyre, who was appointed to preach the sermon on the Observance of the Sabbath at this meeting, was directed to perform that duty at the fall meeting.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Shiloh Church, Cumberland County, N.C. Friday before the third Sabbath in September 1882 at 11 o'clock A. M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Asheville N. C. Sept 29th 1882
Approved as far as written

L M Kennon
Moderator

Sherwood Church.

APPENDIX.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1st, 1882.

NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	Number on Rolls.		Average attendance.		Increase.		Decrease.		Number added to Church.		Amount contributed for your own School.	Amount contributed for Missionary Purposes.
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
Antioch	6	60	5	50				25			$ 5 00	$
Ashpole	10	102	7	75	4	57				1		3 08
Bethel	8	60	5	40							5 00	
Bethesda, (Keyser),	3	26	3	20							3 00	
Big Rockfish	5	30	5	20		10					4 00	3 00
Bluff	13	111	10	68			1	1		3		6 00
Buffalo	23	132	16	82	1	10	2	26		7	23 00	15 00
Cameron	3	35	3	20							14 00	
Carthage	12	130	11	66	1	25				8	40 00	
Centre	11	100	8	70	1		1			2	55 15	24 51
Cypress	3	17	2	13							2 00	
Euphronia	16	90	8	50	4			2			4 00	
Fayetteville	19	127	13	98							97 65	61 43
Galatia	8	50	6	40							6 00	
Laurel Hill	7	30	5	16				5				7 22
Laurinburg	8	100	5	54	2	7				4	28 50	17 64
Lebanon	none											
Lumber Bridge	2	45	2	35		5				4	2 00	6 00
Lumberton	8	37	6	25	1	13					15 05	16 80
McPherson	4	36	4	25							4 91	
Mark's Creek	3	25	3	25						1	2 00	
Mineral Spring	7	60	7	50								
Mt. Carmel	none											
Philadelphus	5	60	4	45		10				2		
Saint Andrew's	14	123	9	61	4	20				2	5 01	
Sherwood	4	30	4	20		4						12 00
Shoe Heel	8	55	7	50					1	1	34 29	5 57
Smyrna	7	50	6	45	2	5					4 00	
Union	16	120	10	67						4	10 50	
White Hill	20	116	12	52						3		
Mount Tabor	2	18	2	17						1	2 00	
Saint Paul's	10	120	8	100	1	20				1	10 00	
Total	265	2095	196	1399	21	186	4	59	1	44	$377 06	$178 25

REMARKS:—Thirty-two churches out of fifty-one report, two reporting no school. These thirty schools are generally under the control of our pastors and

sessions. The standards of our church and the publications of our Committee are in use in all or very nearly all. A few schools are discontinued in the Winter. A few churches also have mission schools. The report from our churches is rather more encouraging, and shews progress. There is need however of advance.

[Signed] J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

REV. W. S. LACY, Agent.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

THE REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1882.

CHURCHES.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Institute for Education of Colored Ministers.	Total.
Bethesda	$10 05	$ 6 48	$ 9 25	$ 53 86	$ 7 53	$16 45	$.....	$103 62
Philadelphus	6 20	2 35	2 00	8 00	3 30	2 35	.....	24 20
Fayetteville	23 36	10 91	9 77	69 88	2 23	3 01	2 35	121 51
Antioch	6 13	4 40	3 00	5 75	7 00	.....	2 40	28 68
Cypress	5 00	3 00	2 30	7 50	.....	.....	.....	17 80
Mineral Spring	.....	.....	2 66	4 20	.....	.....	.....	6 86
Center	24 52	16 66	18 70	106 56	11 47	16 65	5 00	199 56
Mount Tabor	2 00	1 00	2 00	6 00	1 00	2 00	.....	14 00
St. Paul's	8 00	10 00	10 00	120 00	25 00	8 00	20 00	201 00
Mark's Creek	2 00	1 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	15	.....	11 15
McPherson	5 00	1 85	3 00	6 53	5 50	2 00	1 87	25 75
.....	.....	.....	2 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 16
White Hill	3 00	.....	.....	6 51	.....	.....	.....	9 51
Tirza	3 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	23 00
Saint Andrew's	11 00	5 00	5 00	11 00	7 00	8 00	3 00	50 00
Lumber Bridge	6 57	8 10	7 20	26 27	5 03	9 25	.....	62 42
.....	3 45	.....	....	5 43	3 00	2 25	.....	14 13
Total	119 28	$72 75	$80 04	$453 49	$82 06	$72 11	$35 62	$915 35

The following churches have sent in no reports: Barbecue, Bethlehem, Ben-Salem, China Grove, Church of the Covenant, Cameron, Flat Branch, Harmony, Iona, Laurinburgh, Long Street, Macedonia, Mt. Pisgah, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, Sardis and Sharon.

Respectfully submitted.

COMMITTEE.

COLLECTIONS BY FINANCE COMMITTEE AT PRESBYTERY.

NAME OF CHURCHES.	Sustentation.	Publication.	Foreign Missions	Evange'c Work.	Education.	Invalid Fund.	Presby'l Fund.	Colored Institute	Colportage.	Totals.
Sardis	$ 4 70	$	$	$	$	$	$10 00	$	$	$14 70
Philadelphus							12 00			12 00
Carthage	3 00	3 00		2 70	4 00	2 00	12 00			26 70
Ladies' Missionary Society of Carthage			6 30							6 30
Ladies' Missionary Society of St. Paul's			18 00							18 00
Big Rockfish							8 00		7 00	15 00
Ladies' Missionary Society of Big Rockfish	2 00	2 00	8 00							8 00
Mt. Tabor			6 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	5 00			19 00
Mineral Spring			4 20			2 66				6 86
Bluff							12 00			12 00
Union	10 00	8 00		10 00	12 20	6 00	20 00	6 00		72 20
White Hill	3 00		6 54				5 00			14 54
Bethesda		16 45	1 75				12 00			28 45
Drowning Creek Station										1 75
Ashpole							14 50			14 50
Flat Branch	4 00	3 00			2 95		3 00			12 95
Laurel Hill							20 00			20 00
Antioch							11 00			11 00
Smyrna							15 00			15 00
Lebanon							5 00			5 00
Mark's Creek				1 00	25	1 00	3 00			5 25
Laurinburgh							10 00			10 00
Centre							15 00			15 00
Cameron							3 00			3 00
Sherwood	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	1 25	6 00			16 25
Shoe Heel							10 00			10 00
Euphronia							10 00			10 00
Buffalo							25 00			25 00
Mt. Carmel	2 00			20			1 05			3 25
Sandy Grove	3 00	2 16	10 60	4 27	2 00	2 57	5 25			29 85
Ladies' Missionary Society of Philadelphus			4 00							4 00
Totals	$32 70	$35 61	$69 39	$20 17	$24 40	$17 48	$252 80	$6 00	$7 00	$465 55

The above is a correct statement of the funds collected for Beneficence and Presbyterial Fund at sessions of Fayetteville Presbytery, held at Antioch April 1882.

W. J. STUART, Chm'n Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

HOME MISSIONS, (SUSTENTATION.)

1881.	Dr.
April 4—Cash in Bank as per last report,	$129 99
" 7—Mt. Pisgah,	2 00
" "—Harmony,	2 00
" "—Union,	5 00
" "—Macedonia,	2 00
" "—Ben-Salem,	2 50
" "—Mt. Tabor,	1 00
" "—Carthage,	4 00
" "—Mineral Spring,	3 00
Oct. 3—Mite Chest—Miss Mary McP. Watson,	1 58
" 15—Church of Covenant,	5 50
" "—Mark's Creek,	2 40
Nov. 9—St. Andrews,	5 00
1882.	
Jan'y 12—Antioch,	6 13
" 13—Tirza,	3 00
" 15—Lumber Bridge,	6 57
" 21—Centre S. School,	7 20
" "—Shoe Heel S. School,	5 54
" 25—Bethesda,	10 05
" 27—Iona,	2 65
Feb'y 2—Ladies' Home Circle, Fayetteville,	5 25
" 16—Shoe Heel,	32 41
" "—Centre,	17 32
" 17—Tirza,	2 27
" 24—Bethlehem,	2 50
" 26—Salem,	3 42
March 1—St. Andrew's,	6 00
" 2—Fayetteville,	19 11
" 3—Sardis,	8 98
" 6—Cypress,	5 00
" "—Big Rockfish,	4 00
" 7—McPherson's,	8 13
" "—Mite Chest, Miss Mary McP. Watson,	1 01
" 9—Laurel Hill,	15 25
" "—Smyrna,	11 85
" 12—Long Street,	3 85
" 13—Bluff,	12 00
" 14—Ashpole,	14 18
" 20—Galatia,	2 53
" 21—Lebanon,	6 15
" 22—Lumberton,	5 71
" 28—Laurinburgh,	29 99
" 29—Buffalo,	11 00
" "—Tirza,	2 00
" 30—Rockingham,	2 50
" "—Euphronia,	8 00
	$447 52

1881.	Cr.
August 8—Amount sent Rev. A. McQueen by order of Rev. H. G. Hill, D. D.,	$10 00
Dec. 1—Check sent Rev. S. C. Alexander on order of Dr. Hill,	50 00
" "—Check to Rev. J. P. McPherson for Salem Church,	30 00
" "—Check to Rev. D. A. McRae for McPhatter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches,	15 00
1882.	
March 30—Check sent Rev. S. C. Alexander for services at Harmony Church,	25 00
" "—Check to self for Salem Church,	25 00
" "—To same for Long Street Church,	12 50
" 31—Cash in Bank,	280 02
	$447 52

*Of this sum $129 99 has paid the 15 per cent. The balance $317 53 has not yet paid the 15 per cent.

March 31, 1882.

PUBLICATION.

1881.	Dr.
April 4—Cash on hand as per last report,	$16 59
" 7—Centre,	17 44
" 7—Shoe Heel,	18 37
" 7—Philadelphus,	2 00
" 7—Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
" 7—Harmony,	1 00
" 7—Union,	4 00
" 7—Macedonia,	2 00
" 7—Ben-Salem,	3 00
" 7—Sardis,	6 46
" 7—Smyrna,	3 30
" 7—Laurel Hill,	9 50
" 7—Mt. Tabor,	2 00
" 7—Carthage,	3 00
" 7—Mineral Spring,	3 81
Sep. 15—Lumberton,	2 42
Oct. 15—Church of Covenant,	5 57
1882.	
March 1—St. Andrew's,	6 00
" 3—Sardis,	2 46
" 9—Mt. Carmel,	1 00
" 10—Laurinburgh S. S.,	1 50
" 12—Long Street,	3 69
" 15—Antioch,	3 00
" 19—Lumber Bridge,	9 25
" 21—Philadelphus,	2 35
" 22—Lumberton,	4 12
" 23—Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
" 23—Big-Rockfish,	3 00
" 26—Salem,	2 25
" 28—Laurinburgh,	13 91
" 28—Shoe Heel,	20 00
" 28—Centre,	16 65
" 29—Buffalo,	7 00
" 29—Laurel Hill,	8 85
" 29—Smyrna,	4 00
" 29—Tirza,	2 00
" 30—Bethlehem,	1 80
" 30—Euphronia,	4 00
	$219 29

1881.	Cr.
June 16—Check sent to Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Richmond, Va.,	$ 90 37
1882.	
March 31—Cash in Bank,	128 92
	$219 29

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1881.	Dr.
April 4—Cash in Bank as per last report,	$67 72
June 25—Bluff,	16 00
July 11—Laurel Hill,	26 30
" 11—Laurel Hill S. School,	4 65
" 11—Smyrna,	20 05
" 21—Ladies' Mis. Society, Antioch,	5 00
" 21—Sharon,	1 00
Aug. 2—St. Andrews,	5 00
" 17—Laurinburgh S. S.,	1 40
Amount carried forward,	$147 12

1881.	Cr.
Oct. 28—Check sent to Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.,	$225 99
" 28—P. O. Money Order payable to same,	26 00
1882.	
March 15—Check sent Rev. R. McIlwaine, D. D.,	91 22
March 31—Cash in Bank,	128 63
	$471 84

Amount brought forward,	$147 12
Aug. 25—Buffalo,	19 00
Sept. 1—Lumberton,	24 14
" 6—Ladies' Mis. Society, Big-Rockfish,	15 00
" 15—Galatia,	6 81
" 21—Laurinburgh S. S.,	1 88
" 30—Bethesda,	17 11
" 30—Young Ladies' Mis. S'y,	15 00
Oct. 8—Long Street,	8 52
" 15—Harmony,	5 00
" 15—Sherwood,	3 38
" 15—Presbyterial Collection, Sardis,	34 46
" 15—Laurel Hill S. School,	5 00
" 15—Iona,	5 20
" 15—Laurinburgh S. S.,	2 09
" 28—St. Paul's Ladies' Aid Society,	26 00
Nov. 5—Macedonia,	2 60
" 5—Ben Salem,	4 05
" 14—Laurinburgh S. S.,	1 72
Dec. 28—Sharon,	7 50
1882.	
Jan. 3—St. Paul's,	25 00
Feb. 8—Laurinburgh S. S.,	2 23
March 3—Sardis,	12 31
" 12—Long Street S. S.,	1 81
" 15—Euphronia,	24 00
" 22—Lumberton,	5 00
" 28—Laurinburgh—A. McKay,	35 66
" 29—Tirza,	10 00
" 30—Rockingham,	2 25
" Ben-Salem S. S.,	2 00
	$471 84

HOME MISSIONS (EVANGELISTIC WORK).

1881.	Dr.
April 4—Cash in Bank as per last report,	$292 90
" 7—Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
" 7—Harmony,	1 00
" 7—Union,	5 00
" 7—Big Rockfish,	6 00
" 7—St. Paul's,	7 00
" 7—Mt. Tabor,	1 00
" 7—Carthage,	3 00
July 21—Sharon,	2 00
Aug. 19—Iona,	1 83
" 25—Buffalo,	8 00
" 31—Bluff,	8 00
Sept. 6—Cypress,	3 00
" 12—Galatia,	3 75
" 14—Big Rockfish,	9 00
" 15—Antioch,	4 40
" 15—McPherson's,	1 85
" 27—Philadelphus,	2 35
Amount carried forward,	$361 08

1882.	Cr.
March 31—Cash in Bank.	$543 38

*Of this amount $292 90 has paid the 15 per cent. The balance, $250 48, has not yet paid the 15 per cent.

Amount brought forward,	$361 08
Oct. 3, St. Andrew's,	5 00
" 7, Bluff,	6 50
" 8, Long Street,	5 35
" 15, Bethesda,	12 00
" 15, Church of Covenant,	5 50
" 15, Flat Branch,	5 00
" 15, Laurel Hill,	13 27
" 15, Smyrna,	5 23
" 15, Sherwood,	4 50
" 18, Centre,	16 66
" 18, Shoe Heel,	25 51
Nov. 5, Ben-Salem,	4 85
1882.	
Jan. 3, St. Paul's,	10 00
" 13, Tirza,	3 00
Feb. 2, Home Circle, Fayetteville,	4 35
March 3, Sardis,	2 33
" 9, Mt. Carmel,	1 80
" 14, Ashpole,	24 31
" 22, Lumberton,	10 02
" 28, Laurinburgh,	8 12
" 30, Euphronia,	9 00
	$543 38

EDUCATION.

1881.	Dr.
April 7, Cash in Bank,	35 73
" 7, Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
" 7, Union,	6 00
" 7, Macedonia,	2 00
" 7, Ben-Salem,	3 50
" 7, Carthage,	4 00
" 7, Mineral Spring,	4 20
July 21, Sharon,	2 00
Oct. 7, Bluff,	6 50
" 8, Long Street,	3 16
" 15, Church of Covenant,	6 00
Nov. 17, Big-Rockfish,	3 00
" 17, Bluff,	12 00
" 17, McPherson's,	5 50
" 22, Bethesda,	7 53
" 27, Salem,	3 00
Dec. 1, Antioch,	7 00
" 5, Philadelphus,	3 30
" 7, Iona,	2 05
" 14, Centre,	11 47
" 14, Shoe Heel,	14 50
" 27, St. Andrew's,	7 00
" 27, Lebanon,	3 40
" 19, Lumber Bridge,	5 00
" 28, Laurel Hill,	10 72
" 29, Smyrna,	3 50
" 29, Sharon,	5 00
1882.	
Jan'y 3, St. Paul's,	25 00
" 13, Tirza,	2 00
Amount carried forward,	$205 06

1882.	Cr.
Jan'y 27, Check sent to G. W. Macrae, Memphis, Tenn.,	$205 26
March 31, Cash in Bank,	70 87
	$276 13

	Amount brought forward,	$265 06
Feb.	3—Galatia,	2 30
"	23—Buffalo,	15 00
Mar.	3—Sardis,	5 00
"	9—Mt. Carmel,	1 20
"	13—Long Street,	2 17
"	14—Ashpole,	16 96
"	15—Euphronia,	9 00
"	21—Lebanon,	2 15
"	22—Lumberton,	5 00
"	22—Mt. Pisgah,	2 00
"	28—Laurinburgh,	8 12
"	30—Rockingham,	1 25
		$324 13

INVALID FUND.

1881.		Dr.
April	4. Cash in Bank as per last report,	$9 57
"	7. Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
"	" Union,	4 50
"	" Mt. Tabor,	2 00
"	" Carthage,	3 00
July	4. Lumber Bridge,	7 30
"	14. Cypress,	2 30
"	" Antioch,	3 00
"	15. Lebanon,	3 00
"	17. Sharon,	2 00
"	22. Big Rockfish,	5 00
Aug.	1. " "	3 00
"	6. Galatia,	3 65
"	15. Philadelphus,	2 00
"	16. Centre,	18 70
"	" Shoe Heel,	18 22
"	17. Pee Dee,	3 00
"	18. Iona,	3 07
"	31. Bluff,	7 50
Sept.	1. Lumberton,	7 83
"	15. McPherson's,	3 00
"	28. Laurel Hill,	16 30
"	" Smyrna,	7 80
"	30. Bethesda,	9 25
Oct.	5. Bethel,	2 16
"	8. Long Street,	2 56
"	15. Church of Covenant,	5 00
"	" Flat Branch,	4 00
"	" Sherwood,	3 28
"	" Big Rockfish,	50
Nov.	5. Ben Salem,	2 25
Dec.	29. Sharon,	3 30
1882.		
Jan.	3. St. Paul's,	10 00
Mar.	14. Ashpole,	13 90
"	23. Mt. Pisgah,	1 00
"	28. Laurinburgh,	9 34
"	29. Tirza,	2 00
"	30. Euphronia,	8 00
		$223 23

1881.		Cr.
Oct.	31. Check sent to Rev. R. McBryde, D. D., Baltimore, Md.,	$153 43
Mar.	31. Cash in Bank,	69 80
		$223 23

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

1881.		Dr.
April	4—Cash in Bank,	$ 91 03
"	7—Sherwood,	6 00
"	7—Centre,	15 00
"	7—Shoe Heel,	10 00
"	7—Philadelphus,	12 00
"	7—Antioch,	11 00
"	7—Mt. Pisgah,	5 00
"	7—Iona,	5 21
"	7—Flat Branch,	3 00
"	7—Union,	20 00
"	7—Bethel,	10 00
"	7—Ashpole,	15 50
"	7—Bethesda,	12 00
"	7—St. Andrew's	6 00
"	7—Tirza,	5 70
"	7—Macedonia,	5 00
"	7—Ben Salem,	5 00
"	7—Pee Dee,	10 00
"	7—Sharon,	5 00
"	7—Sardis,	10 00
"	7—Lebanon,	5 00
"	7—Mt. Carmel,	3 00
"	7—Bluff,	12 00
"	7—Sandy Grove,	4 10
"	7—Smyrna,	15 00
"	7—Laurel Hill,	20 00
"	7—Buffalo,	25 00
"	7—Euphronia.	10 00
"	7—Big Rockfish,	8 00
"	7—Mt. Tabor,	5 00
"	7—Carthage,	12 00
"	7—Cameron,	3 00
"	7—Laurinburgh,	10 00
July	14—McPherson's,	8 00
Aug.	6—Galatia,	12 00
"	19—Iona,	3 10
Sep.	1—Lumberton,	4 11
Oct.	15—Barbacue,	6 50
"	15—Ben Salem,	5 00
"	15—Iona,	1 97
"	15—Mark's Creek,	3 00
1882.		
Feb.	6—Fayetteville,	25 00
Mar.	6—Cypress,	5 00
"	14—Ashpole,	53 00
"	18—Lumber Bridge,	8 00
"	22—Lumberton,	5 89
"	23—Mt. Pisgah,	5 00
"	29—St. Paul's, M. J. McRainy,	15 00
"	29—Tirza, M. McKay,	10 00
		$565 11

1881.		Cr.
April	4—Check to self as Stated Clerk,	$25 00
"	21—Check to self as Treasurer,	25 00
"	12—Check to Rev. D. D. McBryde as Commissioner to Assembly,	40 00
"	12—Check to Mr. James S. McQueen as Commissioner to Assembly,	40 00
"	18—Printing and mailing Minutes of 1881,	51 75
"	18—Cash Book for Treas'r,	1 35
May	30—Check to self for Stationery and Stamps,	5 00
June	1—Sent P. O. Money Order to Rev. W. S. Lacy, Trustee, &c.,	10 10
"	30—Sent P. O. Money Order to Rev. A. N. Ferguson, Trustee,	8 70
Aug.	8—Check to self for Stationery, &c.,	5 00
June	30—Sent J. A. McAllister as Trustee of Davidson College,	10 70
Sept.	6—Check to self as Stated Clerk to Oct. 1, 1881,	25 00
Oct.	7—Check to self as Treasurer to Oct. 1, 1881,	25 00
"	31—J. E. Garrett, Printing Minutes, Fall, '81,	24 50
"	31—Check sent to Jesse H. Lindsay, Assessment of Synod for 1881,	40 00
Nov.	23—Stamps and mailing Minutes,	2 00
1882.		
Jan.	17—100 printed Envelopes,	75
"	17—100 printed Cards,	50
"	17—50 Postal Cards,	50
Feb'y	9—Check sent to Rev. J. R. Wilson, D. D., Treasurer of General Assembly,	50 00
"	17—Blanks, Stationery and postage,	10 00
Mar.	9—Check to self as Stated Clerk to April 1, 1882,	25 00
"	31—Cash in Bank,	139 26
		$565 11

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

1882.	Dr.
March 31—Cash in People's National Bank,	$50 00

COLPORTAGE.

1881.	Dr.	1882.	Cr.
April 4—Cash on hand,	$54 65	March 31—Cash in Bank,	$109 08
Aug. 2—St. Andrew's,	2 00		
" 19—Iona,	2 00		
" 21—Lumber Bridge,	4 12		
" 27—Lebanon,	2 75		
Sept. 18—Salem,	1 25		
" 28—Laurel Hill,	6 00		
" 28—Smyrna,	3 50		
" 30—Bethesda,	6 48		
Oct'r 2—Lumber Bridge,	8 10		
" 8—Long Street,	2 18		
" 15—Sherwood,	1 87		
Dec. 28—Sharon,	2 50		
1882.			
Jan'y 3—St. Paul's,	5 00		
March 3—Sardis,	3 41		
" 28—Laurinburgh,	2 27		
" 30—Tirza,	1 00		
	$109 08		

COLOURED INSTITUTE.

1881.	Dr.	1882.	Cr.
Mar. 31—Cash on hand as per last report,	$11 06	March 8—Post Office Money Order sent to Dr. J. T. Searcy, Tuskaloosa, Ala.,	$50 00
April 7—Sardis,	5 15	" 8—Similar order,	30 79
" 7—Mt. Tabor,	2 00	" 8—Premium on 2 P. O. orders,	45
" 7—Carthage,	2 00	" 31—Cash on hand,	13 87
" 7—Iona,	55		$95 11
Dec. 14—Centre,	5 00		
" 14—Shoe Heel,	5 65		
" 15—Iona,	1 30		
" 27—St. Andrew's,	3 00		
" 28—Laurel Hill,	5 00		
" 28—Smyrna,	4 00		
" 28—Sharon,	1 70		
1882.			
Jan'y 3—St. Paul's,	20 00		
Feb'y 8—Fayetteville,	2 25		
" 23—Buffalo,	6 00		
March 3—Sardis,	4 01		
" 6—McPherson's,	1 87		
" 22—Lumberton,	2 07		
" 23—Mt. Pisgah,	1 00		
" 28—Tirza,	1 00		
" 28—Laurinburgh,	4 90		
" 30—Euphronia,	5 00		
	$95 11		

COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

1881.	Dr.	1881.	Cr.
March 31, Cash on hand,	$37 50	July 20—Sent to Rev. A. McQueen for services to McPhatter and Mountain Grove (coloured) Churches on order of Rev. H. G. Hill,	$25 00
Dec'r 19, Lumber Bridge,	1 60	Aug. 8—Sent to same by order of Rev. H. G. Hill,	15 00
" 28, Laurel Hill,	6 30	Dec. 1—Check sent to Rev. D. A. McRae, on order of Rev. H. G. Hill, for same Churches,	10 00
" 28, Smyrna,	4 08	1882.	
1882.		March 31—Cash in Bank,	15 59
Jan'y 3, St. Paul's,	5 00		$65 59
" 3, Antioch,	2 40		
Feb'y 6, Fayetteville,	2 71		
Mar. 14, Bluff,	5 00		
" 29, Tirza,	1 00		
	$65 59		

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COLPORTAGE.

1881.	Dr.	1882.	Cr.
April 4—Cash on hand,	$54 65	March 31—Cash in Bank,	$109 08
Aug. 2—St. Andrew's,	2 00		
" 19—Iona,	2 00		
" 21—Lumber Bridge,	4 12		
" 27—Lebanon,	2 75		
Sept. 18—Salem,	1 25		
" 28—Laurel Hill,	6 00		
" 28—Smyrna,	3 50		
" 30—Bethesda,	6 48		
Oct'r 2—Lumber Bridge,	8 10		
" 8—Long Street,	2 18		
" 15—Sherwood,	1 87		
Dec. 28—Sharon,	2 50		
1882.			
Jan'y 3—St. Paul's,	5 00		
March 3—Sardis,	3 41		
" 28—Laurinburgh,	2 27		
" 30—Tirza,	1 00		
	$109 08		

COLOURED INSTITUTE.

1881.	Dr.	1882.	Cr.
Mar. 31—Cash on hand as per last report,	$11 66	March 8—Post Office Money Order sent to Dr. J. T. Searcy, Tuskaloosa, Ala.,	$50 00
April 7—Sardis,	5 15	" 8—Similar order,	30 79
" 7—Mt. Tabor,	2 00	" 8—Premium on 2 P. O. orders,	45
" 7—Carthage,	2 00	" 31—Cash on hand,	13 87
" 7—Iona,	55		$95 11
Dec. 14—Centre,	5 00		
" 14—Shoe Heel,	5 65		
" 15—Iona,	1 30		
" 27—St. Andrew's,	3 00		
" 28—Laurel Hill,	5 00		
" 28—Smyrna,	4 00		
" 28—Sharon,	1 70		
1882.			
Jan'y 3—St. Paul's	20 00		
Feb'y 8—Fayetteville,	2 25		
" 23—Buffalo,	6 00		
March 3—Sardis,	4 01		
" 6—McPherson's,	1 87		
" 22—Lumberton,	2 07		
" 23—Mt. Pisgah,	1 00		
" 28—Tirza,	1 00		
" 28—Laurinburgh,	4 90		
" 30—Euphronia,	5 00		
	$95 11		

COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

1881.	Dr.	1881.	Cr.
March 31, Cash on hand,	$37 50	July 20—Sent to Rev. A. McQueen for services to McPhatter and Mountain Grove (coloured) Churches on order of Rev. H. G. Hill,	$25 00
Dec'r 19, Lumber Bridge,	1 60	Aug. 8—Sent to same by order of Rev. H. G. Hill,	15 00
" 28, Laurel Hill,	6 30	Dec. 1—Check sent to Rev. D. A. McRae, on order of Rev. H. G. Hill, for same Churches,	10 00
" 28, Smyrna,	4 08	1882.	
1882.		March 31—Cash in Bank,	15 59
Jan'y 3, St. Paul's,	5 00		$65 59
" 3, Antioch,	2 40		
Feb'y 6, Fayetteville,	2 71		
Mar. 14, Bluff,	5 00		
" 29, Tirza,	1 00		
	$65 59		

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PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 21 Ministers, and has under its care 51 Churches and 4 Candidates, viz:

MINISTERS, ETC.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	Elders.	Deacons.	Ad'd on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Number Baptized Non-Communicants.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Publication.	Presbyterial.	Pastor's Salaries actually paid.	Congregational.	Miscellaneous.	Colportage.	Coloured Institute.	Col. Evanglis'c Work.
Rev. Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, Robeson Co., N. C.	Antioch, P.	7	7	4	2	138	1	9	102	$ 60	$ 6 13	$ 4 40	$ 3 00	$ 5 75	$ 7 00	$	$ 11	$ 150	$ 950	$ 11 10	$	$ 2 40	
" " " P.	" " " "	Philadelphus, P.	7	4	2	1	110	1	3	48	60	6 20	2 35	2 00	8 00	3 30	2 35	12	183 13	62 50				
Evander McNair, D. D., S. S.	Red Banks, " "	Bethesda, S. S.	4	5	3		138	1	6	52	25	10 05		9 25	53 86	7 53	16 45	12	197 75			6 48		
" " " "	" " " "	Bethel, S. S.	5	5			190		6		60			2 16					200					
J. P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville, N. C.	Lebanon, S. S.	3	1		4	46		2	28		6 15		3 00	3 08	3 40	2 15	5	82 40	16				
" " "	" "	Lumber Bridge, S. S.	4	3	7	2	87	1	1		45	6 57	8 16	7 20	26 27	5 03	9 25	8	231	21 56	5 05	4 13		
" " "	" "	Salem, S. S.	2	2	1		21					3 45			5 43	3 00	2 25	5	93 75		10 70			
Neill McKay, D. D., S. S.	Summerville, "	Long Street, S. S.	3	4					2		35	3 85	5 35	2 56	7 52	2 17	3 69							
G. M. Gibbs, P. E.	Fayetteville, "	Flat Branch, S. S.	4	2	5		69	2		10	45	4 00	5 00	4 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	3						
" " "	" "	McPherson's, P. E.	3	6	1	1	86	1	2	42	36	5 00	1 85	3 00	6 53	5 50		8	250	37 90			1 87	
" " "	" "	Cypress, S. S.	5	4			125		1	80		5 00	3 00	2 30	7 50			5						
A. McMillan, W. C.	Laurel Hill, "	China Grove, S. S.																						
D. D. McBryde, P.	Little River Academy, N. C.	Bluff, P.																						
" " S. S.	" " " "	Sardis, S. S.	5	5	5	1	209		6	35	111	12 00	14 50	7 50	27 00	6 50		12	308 50		6 56			
" " S. S.	" " " "	Sherwood, S. S.	3	3	1	2	50	1		15		8 96	2 33	1 70	46 77	8 84	2 46	10	227	20		3 41	4 01	
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage, N. C.	Carthage, P.	2			2	50	15			55	1 00	1 00	50	4 00	2 00	1 00	6	255	65				
" " P.	" "	Union, P.	9	5	23	5	156	2	9	54	130	3 00	2 70	2 00	15 00	4 00	3 00	12	240	165	5			
" " S. S.	" "	Cameron, S. S.	9	7	6	2	310		14	75		10 00	10 00	1 00	39 64	12 20	8 00	20	220	200	7 16			
S. C. Alexander, P. E.	Wadesboro, N. C.	Mt. Carmel, S. S.																						
" " S. S.	" "	Harmony, P. E.	4	3	3	3	79		2			2 00	2 00		7 72	1 20	1 05		105					
" " S. S.	" "	Mark's Creek, S. S.	5	2	4		93	1		50	25	5 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	1 00		5	105					
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station, N. C.	St. Andrew's, S. S.	2	1	12		74	3	5	45	25	2 01	1 00	1 00	1 00	30	15	3	7 75					
" " "	" "	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	7	5	5		142	1	3	84	123	11 00	5 00	5 00	11 00	7 00	8 00	6	233	47	6			
" " "	" "	White Hill, S. S.	4	4	1		63				20	4 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	1 00	5	150	7 50			1	
N. T. Bowden, W. C.	Powellton, N. C.		3	3	4	45	49	3			116	3 00			6 54				38 20		5			
Joseph Evans, P.	St. Paul's, "																							
" " P.	" "	St. Paul's, P.	4	5	6	3	152	3	2	86	120	8 00	10 00	10 00	120 00	25 00	8 00	15	425	19	20	5	20	
" " S. S.	" "	Big Rockfish, P.	4	6	2	2	138		9		30	4 00	9 00	8 50	30 00	6 00		3	200	10		7		
" " S. S.	" "	Mt. Tabor, S. S.	3	2	1		50	1	1		18	2 00	1 00	2 00	6 00	1 00	2 00	5	105	12				
A. McQueen, W. C., infirm,	Queensdale, "	Lumberton, S. S.	3	3	1		40	1	4	40	37	5 71	10 02	7 83	29 14	5 00	4 12	10	400	18 50	15		2 07	
John H. Coble, P.	Laurinburgh, N. C.																							
H. G. Hill, D. D., P.	Fayetteville, "	Laurinburgh, P.	7	4	3		110		2		70	29 99	8 12	9 34	35 66	12 72	13 91	10	616	38 45	2 27	2 27	4 90	
" " " S. S.	" "	Fayetteville, P.	6	6	2	1	171		13	179	137	23 36	10 91	9 77	69 88	2 23	13 01	25	1200	675	12 02		2 35	
David Fairley, P.	Manchester, "	Bethlehem, S. S.																						
" " S. S.	" "	Ch. of Covenant, P.																						
" " S. S.	" "	Sandy Grove, S. S.	5	3			89		9			3 00	4 27	2 57	10 60	2 00	2 16	5 25	250					
A. N. Ferguson, P.	Laurinburgh, "	Galatia, S. S.	8	6	2		115	2	6		40	2 53	3 75	3 45	6 81	2 38		14 98	260					
" " S. S.	" "	Laurel Hill, P.	6	4	3	5	160	1	5			15 25	13 85	16 30	26 24	13 85	20 00	400	59 37			4		
K. M. McIntyre, S. S.	Bridges' Creek, N. C.	Smyrna, S. S.	5	3	1	5	154		2			13 85	5 73	7 80	20 30	7 50	15 00	334		25 50			4 08	
" " S. S.	" "	Pee Dee, S. S.	3		21	4	25	20	15	10	25	2 42	2 00	3 00	7 20	2 00	10 00	200	52 70	96				
" " S. S.	" "	Sharon, S. S.	7	3			75		2	15	25	2 95	2 00	5 30	8 50	8 70	3 00	150	12					
" " S. S.	" "	Macedonia, S. S.	6	1	1		84		5		20	2 00	1 72		2 60			50						
W. S. Lacy, P.	Jonesboro, N. C.	Ben Salem, S. S.	7	2	3	1	100		4		30	2 00	4 86	2 25	4 06	2 66	3 00	10	230					
" " "	" "	Buffalo, P.	9	6	11	2	238	8	8	114	148	11 00	8 00	7 00	75 00	9 00	10 00	25	666 66	18	42		6 00	
Roger Martin, P.	Shoe Heel, "	Euphronia, P.	5	4	1	3	107	1	1	67	90	8 00	9 00	8 00	53 00	10 00	4 00	10	333 33			4		
" " "	" "	Centre, P.	5	5	3		156	1	8	160	100	24 52	16 66	18 70	106 50	11 47	16 65	15	550	88 56	158 01			
D. A. McRae,	Melrose, N. C.	Shoe Heel, P.	2	3	2	2	37		1		55	37 96	25 51	28 33	92 66	14 50	20 00	10	400	84 45	80 86			
		Barbacue, V.	3	4			150											6 50	100	1				
		Mineral Spring, V.	3	4			138		3	100	60			2 66	4 20									
		Ashpole, S. S.	9	5	1		250		3	102		14 18	24 31	13 90	40 00	16 96	10 00	60	378 50					
		Iona, V.	no	re	por	t.																		
		Montpelier, V.	no	re	por	t.																		
		Rockingham, V.	no	re	por	t.																		
		Tirza, V.	4	1	2	1	50		3			3 00	2 00	2 00	10 00		3 00	10	2	150				
			214	161	151	99	4874	71	177	1593	1976	$334 09	$244 35	$228 87	$1053 96	$237 94	$221 65	1516 73	$ 9518 04	$2828 92	$ 386 73	$36 29	$48 68	

Licensures none, ordinations none, installations none, pastoral relations dissolved one, churches organized one, churches dissolved none, churches received from other denominations none, churches dismissed to other denominations none. No deaths.

ANTIOCH CHURCH, ROBESON COUNTY, N. C., April 8th, 1882.

By order of the Presbytery:

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

—Lumber Bridge $1 60, Bluff $5 00. Total $6 60.—

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Duncan Davis, and Union R. D. Roan.

Ministers Absent. Ministers Absent: A. McMillan, Martin McLean, N. T. Bowden, Joseph Evans, A. McLean, J. H. Cobb, K. M. McIntyre and D. A. McRae.

Churches not represented. Churches not represented: Ashpole, Barbacue, Bethel, Bethlehem, Bon Salem, Carthage, Chinquapin Grove, Church of the Covenant, Cameron, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Harmony, Iona, Laurel Hill, Lacrinburgh, Long-Street, Lebanon, Lumber-Bridge, Lumberton, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Montpelier, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Mt. Tabor, Red Oak, Rockingham, Salem, Sandy Grove, Smyrna, St. Paul's, St. Andrew's, Tirza and White Hill.

Moderator. Clerks. Rev. N. McKay D.D. was chosen Moderator, and Rev. S. C. Alexander, and Mr. G. K. Cole temporary Clerks.

Excuses. The following brethren rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the last meeting of Presbytery, viz: Rev. Neill McKay D.D. Rev. James McLean and Rev. David Fairley.

Tardy. Rev. A. McMillan appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

A letter from Rev. J. H. Cobb, was received giving a satisfactory reason for absence from our present sessions.

Education. The report of the Faculty of Union Theological Seminary, in reference to the standing of Mr. J. D. Carter, one of our Candidates in that Institution, was read and referred to the Committee of Education.

Minutes not read. On motion, the reading of the Minutes of our last sessions was dispensed with.

Rev. J. Evans. Rev. Joseph Evans appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Recess. Presbytery then took recess for one hour.

Rev. H. McLean &c. After recess Presbytery met, when leave of absence was granted to Rev. Hector McLean and Mr. James A. Smith.

D. College. The annual letter of Rev. L. McKinnon, President of the Board of Trustees of Davidson College, was presented, read and referred to the Committee of Education.

Rev. D. A. McRae. Rev. D. A. McRae remained, by letter, a satisfactory reason for absence, and also asked permission to labour outside of our bounds six months longer, which was granted.

The Stated Clerk presented the following communication from Rev. Joseph R. Wilson D.D. Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, viz:

Overture. "Wilmington, N.C. July 1882.

The General Assembly of 1882 ordered the following overture to be sent to the Presbyteries for their answers - these answers to be forwarded to the undersigned in time to be laid before the Assembly of 1883.

Joseph R. Wilson. Stated Clerk."

"Overture: Shall Chapter 5, section 3, paragraph 1. (Form of Government) be amended by adding these words; But the Pastor and one Elder may constitute a quorum in cases where there are only two Elders?"

Answered. This was answered unanimously in the affirmative.

Letter of Rev. W. S. L. Stated Clerk Synod. The letter of Rev. W. S. Lacy, Stated Clerk of Synod, containing a list of absentees from Synod for the years 1880 and 1881, was read; whereupon, the Ministers and Churches not represented, as far as were present, rendered satisfactory excuses.

Barbacue J. P. S. & T. A communication from the Session of Barbacue Church, requesting permission to secure the services of Rev. J. P. McPherson for one-fourth of his time, was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Committees announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees:

1. Devotional Exercises; D. McBryde, J. Evans and Duncan Davis.
2. Finance; W. J. Smith and Malcom McNeill.
3. Narrative to Synod; A. S. Ferguson and G. W. Gibbs. ~~B. Lacy and W. J. Cousar~~.
4. Systematic Beneficence; D. Fairley and W. J. Currie.
5. Calls and Supplies; A. N. Ferguson and J. S. Smith.
6. Minutes General Assembly; S. C. Alexander and Allen Shaw.
7. Nominations; N. McNair, A. McMillan and David McInnis.

Free Conversation. Free Conversation on the State of Religion was then taken up, when reports were heard on that subject.

Use of Baptist Church tendered. A Communication from Cape Fear Baptist Church signed by the Pastor and Clerk, tendering the use of their Church, was read; whereupon, on motion, this courtesy was duly acknowledged, and the matter referred to the Committee on Devotional Exercises.

Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at half past 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Closed with prayer.

Sherwood, September 16th 1882.

Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read corrected and approved.

Treasurer's Statement. The Treasurer presented his Statement, which was read and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

Additional Elders. The following Ruling Elders appeared, rendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and their names were enrolled, viz: J. D. Price, Lona Church, and John A. Gillis Sandy Grove.

Rev. K. M. M. Rev. K. M. McIntyre appeared in Presbytery, and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness.

Report of Special Com. on Treasurer's Account. The special Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer at our spring sessions, presented their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts and vouchers of Rev. J. P. McPherson, Treasurer, for the year ending April 1st 1882, would report as follows:

All the disbursements for the year are sustained by proper vouchers. On account of omissions and errors in addition the Treasurer should have reported the following amounts, as on hand for the objects named, April 1st 1882, which amounts in six accounts differ from those mentioned in his printed account for the year examined:

On hand for Sustentation	--	$289.02.
" " " Publication	--	" 128.92.
" " " Foreign Missions	--	" 3.40.
" " " Evangelistic Work	--	" 544.38.
" " " Education	--	" 75.47.

Continued.

Invalid Fund	$ 69.76.
" " Colportage	" 109.08.
" " Presbyterial Fund	" 145.26.
" " Coloured Institute	" 13.97.
" " Coloured Evangelistic Work	" 15.59.
Whole amount on his book	$1394.85.
Whole amount in his printed account of these objects	$1487.38.
Deduct correct amount	1394.85.
Excess representing errors	104.53.
The Treasurer's Bank Book shows to his credit April 1st 1882	$1581.11.
Deduct the true amount	1394.85.
Balance on Treasurer's book	186.26.

This difference of $186.26. between amount on hand in Fayetteville National Bank and amount called for by the Treasurer's book at this date might be explained, either by checks drawn and charged off on Treasurer's book, but not paid at Bank before April 1st 1882, or by omissions in entering on Treasurer's book some amounts received. Your Committee, however, have examined the checks, and find none drawn that were not paid at Bank before the expiration of the year. They, therefore regard the sum of $186.26. in Fayetteville National Bank at this date, but not on Treasurer's book, as explained by omissions in making entries.

Your Committee would suggest, that Presbytery should take some action as to what objects this $186.26. should be credited, as they have no means of knowing from what churches it came, or to what objects it was contributed. The receipts given by the Treasurer

Continued. during the year would show, but these are in the hands of the individual Church Treasurers throughout the Presbytery. Rockfish Church sent us four receipts. Three of these, amounting to $13.00 are do not force on Treasurer's Book. A fourth is not entered at date, October 30th 1881, but a similar amount of $3.00. is entered Nov. 17th 1881. In addition to amount in Fayetteville National Bank, the Treasurer had to his credit from the Mizpah Church Fund, in the Peoples' Bank April 1st 1882, the sum of $50.00.

Your Committee is satisfied that the Treasurer has credited to him in Bank all the money received from the Churches and other sources during the year examined. The errors reported they ascribe to omissions in making entries on his own book and to mistakes in addition.

Respectfully Submitted.

Concluded. H. G. Heile } Auditing
D. T. McKethan } Committee.

Committee to divide $186.26. On motion, The Chairmen of the different Committees, viz; Dr. Heile, Home Missions; D. D. McBryde, Foreign Missions; Roger Martin, Education, and Joseph Evans, Publication, be appointed a special Committee to report next Spring as to the division of the amount ($186.26.) now in Bank.

S. S. Convention Report. The following report was made by Committee on Sabbath-School Convention:

The Committee appointed to prepare for holding a Sabbath-School Convention respectfully

Continued, Report; That, after consultation, the Church of St. Paul's was chosen as the place, and Wednesday and Thursday, September 13th and 14th was chosen as the time for such Convention, and a list of topics and speakers prepared and published.

The Convention was duly held in accordance with the programme announced.

The following topics were discussed: "The relation of the Sabbath-School to the Church," "The Superintendent and the teachers, and how to make the Sabbath-School attractive", and subsidiary questions. The discussions were earnest and pointed, and attended by large congregations.

An interest was awakened on the whole subject of Sunday School management, and, it is believed, a decided impulse was given to the cause in the Presbytery. We recommend that such conventions be held annually.

Wm. S. Lacy,
Roger Martin, } Committee.
Joseph Evans

Concluded, On motion, this report was accepted and adopted.

The visiting Committee reported nothing done except in third district.

Orders for this afternoon, On motion, it was made the first order of the day for this afternoon to hear the report of the Home Missions Committee, and the second order the report on Foreign Missions.

D. Bethune, Mr. D. Bethune, Ruling Elder of St. Paul's Church,

appeared and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness and his name was enrolled.

Education. The Committee on Education submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Report. Your Committee would respectfully report, that we have now four candidates under our care.

Carrie. Mr. John D. Carrie is at present a member of the Junior Class in Union Seminary, and the report of the Faculty on his standing is very satisfactory.

McLeod, Clark. Messrs K. A. McLeod and J. McA. Clark have just entered Davidson College. Your Committee has been enabled to secure an appropriation from our Central Executive Committee of $150. for annum for each of these candidates.

McAw. Mr. McAw is now pursuing his studies at the Lacenberg High School.

Jones McKellar. Your Committee would call special attention of Presbytery to the case of Jones McKellar, a young colored man, who, while not under our care, has been received into Tuskaloosa Institute on the recommendation of your Committee. He has conducted himself to the satisfaction of his friends and of the Professors at Tuskaloosa. Dr. Stillman has written us in a very gratifying and commendatory way in reference to him, and urges us, by all means, to send him back.

He has no means of his own, and by a private appeal to a few of our Churches we raised enough to defray his travelling expenses home.

If Presbytery desires him to return to Tuskaloosa, it will be necessary to provide, in some way,

Continued. fund of $.30, or $40. to defray his travelling expenses to that place. In other respects he is provided for, and this is the only expense to which Presbytery would be subjected on his account.

Your Committee would also call attention to the fact that our beloved Zion is suffering seriously from the great insufficiency in the number of Ministers. Many inviting and important fields are now vacant, and many Churches are now without Pastors, simply because labourers are not to be had. For two years or more only one Seminary has been in operation, and this has furnished the whole church only some two or fifteen labourers annually. This supply has not furnished sufficient to overtake the want created annually by death and infirmity. While it is true that Columbia Seminary is about to resume work, it is nevertheless true that this said event is one deeply affecting the very life and growth of our Church, and calls for the most serious and prayerful consideration of our ecclesiastical, as well as of all our people, and demands the most earnest and energetic efforts of our Presbyteries to overtake and remedy the want.

Your Committee hardly know what to recommend; but certainly no matter of greater importance can occupy the attention of this Presbytery, and it is devoutly hoped that it will be thoroughly considered.

At least this Presbytery might earnestly call the people to importunate prayer and appoint a day

cluded. therefor, and earnestly enjoin upon them its observance. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Roger Martin.
A. N. Ferguson } Committee.

Overture to Ass. The following Overture to the General Assembly was read and adopted, viz:

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully overtures the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church to remove the restrictions that prevent the Assembly's Committee of Education from appropriating assistance to educated men who are Candidates for the Gospel Ministry in attendance upon our Institutes at Teskaloosa.

On motion, Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to forward this overture to the General Assembly next Spring.

Publication and Colportage. The Agent of Publications and Colportage reports as follows:

Your Agent of Publication hereby reports to Presbytery for the five months ending September 1st 1882, that 9 Churches have contributed to this object $40.00. which, together with cash on hand at the Spring meeting of Presbytery $128.92, make a total of $168.92, which amount has been remitted to the Central Treasury.

In connection with Colportage, your Committee report that 6 Churches have contributed $24.99, which, together with cash on hand at the Spring meeting of Presbytery, make a total of $134.07. Of this $50.00 has been lent to Rev. Kenneth McDonald, who has

been acting as Evangelist and Colporteur in Moore and Montgomery Counties, and $10.00 to Jonas McKellar, a student of Teskaloosa Institute.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Concluded. Joseph Evans, Agent.

This report was accepted and adopted.

Report of Commissioners' to Gen. Ass. Rev. Roger Morton, Commissioner to the last General Assembly, reported that he attended the sessions of that body, and also that Mr. Daniel McCallum, Ruling Elder, was present; whereupon Brother Morton's report was accepted and his diligence commended.

Place & time of next meeting. The place and time of our spring sessions was taken up, when Montpelier Church, Robeson County, N.C. was unanimously chosen as the place, and Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April 1883, at 12. O'clock, M. as the time.

Visiting Committee. The following paper in reference to the Visiting Committees was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred the whole matter of Presbyterial visitations by Committees, who shall consider and report at the next Spring meeting of Presbytery on the expediency of any change in the existing arrangements of Committees or grouping of visiting districts; and, if in their judgment, any such changes are desirable, they shall recommend what changes be made. Resolved, That the Chairmen of the different Visiting Committees constitute the above Committee.

Report of Com. on Nominations. The Committee on Nominations submitted their Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Nominations recommend, that all the officers be re-elected to fill the offices which they now hold for the ensuing year; and that the Rev. R. Morton be elected Chairman of Visiting Committee in place of Rev. J. H. Coble, whose health incapacitates him for the duties. Respectfully submitted.

Permission to print Minutes. The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Minute on the Tithe adopted at the last meeting of Presbytery, and omitted from the printed Minutes of said Presbytery, be inserted in the Minutes of this meeting of Presbytery, and that the paper in reference to the appointment of a Committee to provide for a Sabbath School Convention, also omitted from the Minutes of same meeting, be also inserted in the minutes of this meeting.

Paper on Tithe. The paper on the tithe, as prepared by Brother Morton is now inserted as follows:

It is the judgment of this Presbytery that the contributions of the Lord's people should always bear a certain definite proportion to their annual income, And it is further the judgment of this Presbytery, that this proportion should never be less than one-tenth of the annual net income of their labour and capital.

S.S. Com. The Sabbath School Committee, to provide for a Sabbath-School Convention, is as follows Rev. Messrs Wm. S. Lacy, Roger Morton and Joseph Evans

Day of prayer.

The following paper was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Presbytery of Fayetteville urgently recommend the observance of the fourth Thursday in February as a day of prayer for our growing men in Institutions of learning, as enjoined by our General Assembly.

Recess.

Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met.

Leave of absence.

Rev. Evander McNair D.D. obtained leave of absence from the remaining Sessions of Presbytery.

R. Elder appears.

Mr. M. N. Campbell, Ruling Elder of Long-Street Church, appeared in Presbytery and rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Minutes of Gen. Ass.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported as follows, which was accepted & adopted.

Your Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly report, That after a careful examination, they find many things that would be both interesting and profitable for your consideration; but have concluded to call your attention to the following points only:

1st The whole subject of "Fraternal Relations" with the Northern Presbyterian Church, as contained on pages 531, 541, 542, 552, 553 and 566.

Your Committee recommend that this whole subject be deferred to the Spring meeting of our Presbytery, and that a special Committee be appointed to bring in a minute in regard to future relations

of Northern Church.

2nd On Education, pages 556. Resolution 5th.

3rd Marriage of a deceased wife's sister, pages 570, 571.

We recommend that this matter be referred to a special Committee to report at next meeting of Presbytery.

Committee.

The following constitute this Committee: Rev. E. McNair D.D. Rev. J. C. Alexander and David McFarland.

Narrative.

The Committee on the Narrative to spread on the State of Religion within our bounds would respectfully report; That the facts gathered from the Churches, through the verbal reports of the brethren in the Free Conversation on the State of Religion, indicate increased religious interest within our bounds — such interest as calls for devout gratitude to God for displays of His grace and for the special outpouring of His Spirit upon several of our Congregations.

One Church reports an addition of over forty persons; another, 16, and several others report additions of from one to twenty. The attendance upon the Ordinances of the Sanctuary are invariably reported as good. There is an increasing interest in the Sabbath-School work. Collections for the various objects of benevolence are taken up in all our Churches. With one or two exceptions they are all supplied with the ministrations of the Word. Peace and harmony prevail within our bounds. Upon the whole, while there is much to humble us before God, at the same time there is much to cheer and encourage our hearts and to cause us to press o

Continued. with greater zeal and energy in the glorious work of the Master.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. Ferguson,
H. G. Hill,
G. M. Gibbs
} Committee.

A copy of the above report was ordered to be forwarded to Synod.

Concluded.

Calls & Supplies.

The Committee on Calls and Supplies made report, that requests from Barbecue Church have been filed in their hands asking for the services of Rev. J. H. McPherson for one fourth of his time at a salary of $150.00. per annum.

Barbecue

The Committee recommend that this request be granted.

Sandy Grove.

Sandy Grove Church requests the services of Rev. David Fairley for one third of his time at a salary of $225.00. per annum. We recommend that this request be granted. Respectfully submitted

A. A. Ferguson Chairman.
E. S. Smith.

This report was adopted.

Systematic Beneficence.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence made the following report: which was adopted.

Beneficence.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence would respectfully report, that, as no additional facts have come before Presbytery, they would recommend that the Stated Clerk be directed to forward the same report to Synod that was sent to the General Assembly last Spring.

Statistical Report to Synod.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully Report to the Synod of North Carolina, that at present they comprise 21 ministers and 51 Churches and have under their care 4 Candidates for the Ministry; that on the 8th day of April 1882, they received under their care Mr. Archibald Hugh McAllister as a Candidate for the Gospel Ministry; and that the next meeting of Presbytery will be held at Montpelier Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April 1883, at 12. o'clock M.

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Approved.

This report was approved and ordered to be forwarded.

Report on Home Missions.

The Committee of Home Missions made their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Home Missions Committee would report to Presbytery for the five months ending Sept. 1st. 1882, as follows:

1st As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation. During this period your Treasurer reports 14 Churches as contributing $48.70.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee 7.30.

Leaves balance ..... $41.40.

Balance on hand April 1st after paying Assembly's Committee 15 per cent, on all receipts to this date ..... $240.05.

To be appropriated ..... 281.45.

From this sum an appropriation made Cypress Church for repairs last fall of $50.00 remains unpaid.

Continued. Also $25. due Rev. D. A. McRae, for services rendered McPhetter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches during 1881, will have to be paid in part from this fund, if the Coloured Evangelistic Board does not meet it. From this amount the Churches of Harmony, Salem and Long-Steel will have to be aided for the last six months of the current year. For the first six months Harmony has received $25, Salem $25, and Long-Steel $12.50.

2nd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Evangelistic Work. Your Treasurer reports 40 Churches as contributing to this object ----- $25.09.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee " 3.75.

Balance on hand April 1st after paying " 21.34.

15 per cent. to Assembly's Committee on all receipts to date 506.67.

Amount to be expended in other bounds — $528.01.

According to the action of Presbytery at its last Spring meeting, Rev. Kenneth McDonald has been paid for 5 months service as Evangelist and Colporteur $250.

This leaves to the credit of this fund, unappropriated, $278.01.

The Report of our Evangelist and Colporteur will be presented at this meeting and from the information it contains, Presbytery will doubtless determine whether to continue to employ him in the same field.

3rd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Coloured Evangelistic Work.

Your Treasurer reports no contributions received for this object during the past 5 months.

Balance on hand April 1st -- $15.09.

Continued. deduct 15 per cent on $65.59, gross receipts for Assembly's Committee -- -- ------ $9.83.

Balance to credit of this fund September 1st 1882, $5.76.

4th As to Contributions to Invalids Fund.

The Treasurer reports as contributed by 21 Churches in 5 months - - - - - - - - - $155.28.

Balance on hand April 1st, 1882. --- " 69.76.

Amount to be sent to Assembly's Committee 225.64.

No appropriations have been asked from this fund for the current year.

5th As to Supplies for vacant Churches.

Mineral Spring Rev. M. McQueen 1. Sabbath and Sacraments.

Iona, Rev. Roger Martin. --- 1. " " "

Montpelier, Rev. D. Fairley --- 1. " " "

Rockingham Rev. N. McLeay D.D. 1. " " "

Tiraqua, Rev. Wm. S. Lacy ------ 1. " " "

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. H. G. Hall Chairman Home Missions.

Concluded. Report on Foreign Missions.

The Agent for Foreign Missions, Rev. D. D. McBride, submitted his Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Report of the Agent for Foreign Missions.

Since our last report nothing of unusual interest has transpired in the prosecution of this important branch of the Church work.

The contributions to the cause of Foreign Missions for the past year, from our Churches, Sabbath-Schools and Ladies' Missionary societies, were a little in advance of previous years

F. Missions Continued.

The amount was increased by legacies and one contribution of $10.000. by a liberal Christian from without the bounds of our own Church.

This placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee of Foreign Missions $60.000 – a sum larger by about $13.000, than the preceding year. The Committee was thus enabled to pay off previous indebtedness and supply all the immediate wants of the Foreign Missionary Work. This work is, however, of necessity a progressive work. The demand for more Labourers increases as the truth, which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, increases our power, superstition and spiritual darkness.

It is estimated that $100.000. will be needed for the efficient prosecution of the work the present year.

The contributions thus far indicate no increase over the contributions of last year. The painful inquiry is forced from us, what shall be done? The resources of our Church are abundantly adequate to meet the wants of her benevolent work, but there is no hearty response to the Macedonian cry coming from every heathen land. We have urged Ministers to preach, and instruct their people on the subject of Missions, to labour to circulate missionary intelligence, especially our own excellent paper, The Missionary. With all these efforts, Fayetteville, one of the oldest and one of the largest Presbyterian churches, stands, we believe, lowest in the scale of its contributions, only about 20 cents per member.

Our whole Church contributes about 30 cents per member – our Presbytery only 20 cents per member. Under these circumstances we offer no resolution, but simply let these facts appeal to all our consciences, invoking the baptism of God's Spirit, that we all may be filled with the Spirit of our Divine Redeemer, the Spirit of Missions.

Concluded.

Respectfully submitted.

Rev. A. McLean.

Rev. A. McLean, by letter, rendered a satisfactory reason for absence from our present sessions.

Call accepted Gibbs – McPherson Church, Installed.

Rev. G. M. Gibbs signified his acceptance of the call from McPherson Church; whereupon the following arrangement was made for his installation, Friday before the second Sabbath in November 1882, viz; That Rev. David Fairley preach the sermon, preside and propose the constitutional questions; Rev. D. D. McBryde charge the pastor, and Rev. R. G. Kell D.D. charge the Congregation.

Call retained until Spring. S.C.A. & Harmony Ch.

Rev. S. C. Alexander reported that he was not yet prepared to accept the call from Harmony Church, and asked leave to retain said call in his hands until our spring meeting, which was granted.

Report of Evangelist & Colporteur.

The Report of our Evangelist and Colporteur, Rev. K. McDonald, was read and accepted, and an abstract of its statistics ordered to be printed in the Appendix.

Fraternal Relations.

The Special Committee to report on "Fraternal Relations" next Spring is as follows: Rev. R. G. Kell D.D. Rev. D. D. McBryde and Mr. E. T. McKethan.

Sherwood.

The further consideration of appointing an Evangelist was deferred to the adjourned meeting to be held at Asheville, N.C. during the sessions of Synod.

Finance. The Committee of Finance made their report, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes.

Rev. W. S. Lacy Treasurer. On motion, Rev. Wm S. Lacy was elected Treasurer of Presbytery.

Auditing Committee. Rev. H. G. Hills D.D. and Mr. E. T. McNeilham were appointed to audit the accounts of the retiring Treasurer and settle with him in behalf of the Presbytery, and turn over the books and funds to the present Treasurer.

Vote of thanks. Vote of thanks:

Appreciating the kind attentions and cordial hospitality so pleasantly extended to the members of this Presbytery, during the sessions of the body in Sherwood Church, by the good people of this congregation and community, the Presbytery of Fayetteville extends its sincere and hearty thanks for these courtesies and considerate kindness, and to the authorities of other churches for ecclesiastical attentions shown to the Presbytery.

Mod. Nominated. Rev. A. N. Ferguson was nominated for Moderator at our spring sessions.

300 Copies. Three hundred copies of the Minutes of our present sessions were ordered to be printed.

Thanks to Treasurer. On motion, the thanks of Presbytery were given to the retiring Treasurer for his fidelity.

Sherwood.

To meet at Synod. On motion, Presbytery then adjourned ~~adjourned~~ to meet at Synod at Asheville, N.C. during the sessions of Synod.

The Minutes of this day were read, corrected and approved.

Closed by singing, prayer and the apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPherson
Stated Clerk.

Adjourned meeting. Minutes of the adjourned meeting held at Asheville N.C. September 28th 1882.

Presbytery was convened by Rev. H. G. Hills D.D. the last Moderator present, and was opened with prayer.

Ministers present. Ministers present: Rev. H. G. Hills D.D. E. McNair D.D. Roger Martin, George M. Gibbs, A. N. Ferguson, M. McQueen, D. D. McBryde, Hector McLean, J. C. Alexander, J. H. Cobb, and Wm S. Lacy. Ruling Elder; A. McDonald, Lumberton Church.

Rev. D. D. McBryde was appointed temporary Clerk.

Evangelistic work. The matter of evangelistic work, laid over to this meeting was taken up and discussed, pending which Presbytery took recess till 7 o'clock P.M. Presbytery met, after recess and resumed the subject of Evangelistic work, and heard report from Rev. K. McDonald as to work done; and after mature consideration, the following paper was adopted:

Paper adopted. Whereas the work of exploring our destitute or

Evangelistic work.

unoccupied territory within the bounds of Fayetteville Presbytery has been measurably done by a regularly appointed Evangelist, during the ~~last~~ past half year; and whereas we think the work now to be done can be done more economically and effectually, by employing those ministers who are convenient to the destitute fields for such portion of their time as the circumstances may allow:

Therefore Resolved 1st That Rev. S. C. Alexander be employed as Evangelist for one fourth of his time, at a salary of $50.00. per month, to ~~this~~ further explore, and to occupy such points in Richmond, Montgomery and Moore Counties as may give promise of building up self-sustaining Churches; and this, with the understanding, that he continue to supply the Churches now under his care.

Resolved 2nd That Rev. Mr. Alexander be instructed to endeavour to bring the Churches to which he ministers up to the full measure of their duty in the matter of his support.

He is further instructed to increase the contributions to his support by such sums as the people to whom he may preach, in destitute places may be induced to make.

Resolved 3rd That the Committee of Sustentation be directed to endeavor to make arrangements, with Rev. E. McNair D.D. Roger Martin, J. G. Cobble and A. T. Ferguson and their Congregations, as shall supply the Church at Rockingham with

Continued.

APPENDIX.

ABSTRACT OF THE REPORT OF REV. K. McDONALD, EVANGELIST AND COLPORTEUR.

Mr. McDonald travelled in his buggy over one thousand miles, preached fifty-seven sermons, visited Rockingham Church and various points in Montgomery County, but did not visit any point in Moore County.

As to Colportage he reports: Received from the Treasurer of Presbytery $50.00; sold 371 books, consisting of Hymn Books, Confessions of Faith and Catechisms. Expressage on books $7.00—leaving in his hands for Colportage Fund $43.00 cash and some $5.00 worth of books.

He reports only a part of the field explored during the five months devoted to the work.

Respectfully submitted.

SHERWOOD CHURCH, Sept. 16th, 1882.

COLLECTED BY FINANCE COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 1882.

The Committee of Finance reported as follows:

Sandy Grove, for Presbyterial Fund	$5 25
Flat Branch, Evangelistic Fund	2 00
Flat Branch, Invalid Fund	2 00
Flat Branch Foreign Missions	3 00
Total,	$12 25

This amount was paid over to Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, Treasurer elect.

Statement of Funds Received from April 1st, 1882, to August 31st, 1882.

SUSTENTATION.

Cash on hand April 1st	$289 02	
Contributed since by 14 Churches	48 70	
Total	$337 72	
Paid out	47 57	
Cash on hand		$290 15

PUBLICATION.

Cash on hand April 1st, 1882,	$128 92
Contributed since by 9 Churches	40 89
Total	$169 81
Paid out	169 81

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Cash on hand April 1st, 1882,	$ 3 40
Contributed since by 41 Churches	579 50
Total	$582 90
Paid out	582 90

Evangelistic work.

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Cash on hand April 1st, 1882,	$569 47	
Contributed since by 10 Churches	25 09	
Total	$594 56	
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EDUCATION.

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Cash on hand		$69 40

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Paid since by one Church	6 00	
Total—cash on hand		$19 97

COLOURED EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Cash on hand April 1st, 1882,	$37 50	
Collected since by 8 Churches	28 09	
Total	$65 59	
Paid out	9 83	
Cash on hand		$55 76

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

Cash on hand		$50 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McPHERSON,
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FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Sept. 13, 1882.

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Dr. A. McDonald rendered satisfactory reasons for absence from the regular meeting at Sharon.

The action of Presbytery at Sharon fixing the time of next meeting of Presbytery was reconsidered and changed from Wednesday before the third Sabbath in April, to Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1883.

The Minutes were then read and approved, when Presbytery was closed with prayer and adjourned to meet at Montpelier Church, Robeson County, N.C. on Wednesday before the second Sabbath in April 1883 at 11 o'clock A.M.

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One Hundred and twelfth Sessions.

Montpelier Church, Robeson County, N.C.
April 4th, 1883.

Opening Sermon by Dr. Kay, Text.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville met according to adjournment, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. Neill McKay D.D. the retiring Moderator, from John 14:1. "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me".

Ministers present;

After sermon, Presbytery was constituted by prayer. Rector McLean, Evander McIver D.D. J. T. McPherson, N. McKay D.D. G. M. Gibbs, A. McMillan, S.C. Alexander, D.D. McBryde, Martin McLaurin, J. Evans, A. McLaurin, John H. Cobb, David Gaslin, A. N. Ferguson and Roger Martin.

Churches represented.

Churches represented: Antioch, H. H. Hodgin; Bethel, D. A. McDiarmid; Bethesda, J. B. Graham; Center, Gilbert Patterson; Carmon, David McIntyre; Galatia Capt. D. McDougald; Lacrinbergh, R. McCastill; Lebanon, A. S. Baker; Lumber-Bridge, Hector McLachin; McPherson's Dr. A. McDougald; Montpelier, Dr. D. Shaw; Mt. Pisgah, W. D. Harrington; Philadelphus, D. McCallum; Shaw Heal, Dr. D. McBryde; Sardis, James P. Hodges; Sandy Grove, N. S. Bleo; Smyrna, A. McRae; Tiza, J. A. Cameron; Union, A. Fergueson; and White Hill, W. P. Carmon.

Ministers absent.

Ministers absent: James McLaurin, N. J. Bowden, K. M. McIntyre, H. G. Reid D.D. Wm. S. Lacy, and Daniel A. McRae.

Churches not represented.

Churches not represented; Ashpole, Beaverdam, Bethlehem, Big-Lumber, Bluff, Big Creek, Buffalo, Carthage, China Grove, Cypress, Church of the Covenant, Euphronia, Fayetteville, Flat Branch, Harmony, Iona, Jewel Hill, Long Street, Lumberton, Marks Creek, Macedonia, Mineral Spring, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Tabor, Pee Dee, Rockingham, Salem, St. Paul's, St. Andrews, and Sherwood.

Rev. A. N. Fergueson was chosen Moderator, and Messrs J. B. Graham and J. A. Cameron Temporary Clerks.

Recess.

On motion, Presbytery took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met. The reading of the minutes of our regular Fall sessions was omitted they having been printed - when the Minutes of the adjourned meeting at Ashville, N.C. were read for information.

Rev. D. A. McRae.

A letter from Rev. D. A. McRae was read, assigning satisfactory reasons for absence and requesting permission to labour outside of our bounds six months longer, which was granted.

Com. on Devotional exercises.

The Moderator announced the following brethren as the Committee on Devotional exercises: Rev. Messrs J. H. Cobb and Roger Martin and Dr. Daniel Shaw.

Overture from Gen. Ass. on Marriage relations.

The Committee appointed last Fall to bring in a report on the Overture from the General Assembly, (See Minutes, pages 570—571,) was presented and read by their Chairman, Rev. E. McNair, D. D. This report was accepted, and, after considerable discussion, the following paper, introduced by Rev. S.C. Alexander, was read as a substitute for the report of the Committee and adopted: Resolved; that this Presbytery recommend, that the General Assembly take such steps as are necessary to excind the last clause of section 4, Chapter 24, of the Confession of Faith. A copy of the above paper was ordered to be forwarded to the Genral Assembly by the Stated Clerk.

Rev W. S. Lacy and R. Elders appear.

Pending the above discussion, Rev W. S. Lacy and Ruling Elders, A. T. McLean of Ashpole Church, and R. Bell, of Buffalo Church, appeared and tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness, and the names of the Ruling Elders were enrolled.

Call declined.

Rev S.C. Alexander declined to accept the Call from Harmony Church placed in his hands by Presbytery, and returned said Call, which was ordered to be returned to Harmony Church by the Stated Clerk.

Adjourned.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Thursday Morning, April 5th, 1883.

Pres. met.

Presbytery met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Report in part.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported in part, which was accepted.

Members appear.

Rev. H. G. Hills D.D. and the following Elders, viz: Duncan Davis, Shorewood Church, M. G. McGregor, Mineral Spring, Allen McDonald, Ben Salem and W. J. Stuart, Carthage, appeared in Presbytery, and tendered satisfactory reasons for tardiness.

Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer of Presbytery, Rev. W. S. Lacy, presented and read his report, which was accepted with accompanying vouchers, and referred to the Committee of Finance, and ordered to be printed in the appendix to the Minutes. (See appendix B.)

Report of Auditing Committee.

The Special Committee to audit the accounts of the late Treasurer, reported as follows, which was accepted and adopted, viz:

The Committee appointed to audit the accounts of the retiring Treasurer, to settle with him in behalf of Presbytery, and to transfer books and funds to present Treasurer, Rev. W. S. Lacy, would report as follows:

The former Treasurer's disbursements are sustained by proper vouchers. On October 4th 1882, the date of settlement, balances amounting to $985.06. are found on the Treasurer's book and are distributed as follows:

Continued. On hand for Sustentation ——— $204.65.
" For Publication ——— " 1.00.
" Foreign Missions ——— " 40.99.
" Evangelistic Work ——— " 301.08.
" Education ——— " 103.97.
" Invalid Fund ——— " 45.07.
" Colportage Fund ——— " 76.20.
" Presbyterial Fund ——— " 56.37.
" Tuskaloosa Institute ——— " 19.97.
" Colored Evangelistic Fund ——— " 5.76.
" Mizpah Church Fund ——— " 50.00.
Whole amount ——— $905.06.

The former Treasurer's bank book in Fayetteville National Bank shows to his credit, October 24th 1882 ——— $1033.47.
Deduct amount on Treasurer's own book — $905.06.
Leaves, representing errors and omissions 128.41.

The last sum differs from the $186.26. reported last fall for the year ending April 1st 1882. by the same Auditing Committee, as representing errors and omissions in entries, and the difference may be traced to similar causes.

Your Committee would suggest the same Committee appointed last fall to report how the $186.26. should be credited be authorized to apportion among the benevolent causes of the Assembly and Presbytery the amount above mentioned, $128.41. The balances named and the $128.41. making $1033.41. in Fayetteville National Bank, now

Report concluded. turned over to present Treasurer, Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, October 24th 1882.

Respectfully submitted.

K. G. Hill } Auditing
E. T. McKathan } Committee.

Orders of the day. The following orders of the day were adopted:

1. The first order, the Report of Sustentation Committee,
2. The Report of Agent of Foreign Missions was made the order of business, instead of Devotional Exercises to-morrow.
3. Report on Education, second order for to-morrow.
4. Report on Publication, first order for to-morrow afternoon.
5. Report on Sabbath-Schools first order Saturday morning.

Committees announced. The Moderator announced the following Committees:

1. On Finance — Elder J. P. Hodges, Dr. A. McDougald & R. M. Cooke.
2. Narrative to General Assembly — Rev. M. McLaren, Rev. J. H. Cobb, and Elder D. McIntyre.
3. Judicial Committee — G. M. Gibbs, E. McNair D.D. and Elder H. McEachern.
4. Systematic Benevolence — Rev. S. C. Alexander, Rev. Archibald McLaren and Elder H. H. Hodgin.
5. Minutes of Synod — Rev. N. M. Lacy D.D. Rev. A. McMillan and Elder W. D. Harrington.
6. Calls and Supplies — Rev. D. Paisley, Rev. J. Evans with Elder A. McRae.
7. Committees on Sessional Records — 1. Rev. A. McMillan and Elder Dr. D. McBryde, to review the Sessional Records. Records of Antioch, Philadelphus, Bethesda,

Continued. Bethel, Lebanon, Lumber-Bridge, Long-Stool and Salem.

2. Rev. H. McLean and Elder A. S. Baker: Flat Branch, McPherson's, Cypress, Chino Grove, Bluff and Sardis.

3. Rev. A. McKay D.D. and Elder D. McCallum: Sherwood, Carthage, Union, Cameron, Mt. Carmel, Harmony and Mark's Creek.

4. Rev. A. McLean and Elder A. S. Blue: St. Andrews, Mt. Pisgah, White Hall, St. Paul's, Big-Rockfish and Mt. Tabor.

5. Rev. S. C. Alexander with Elder G. A. Patterson: Leonbeston, Laurinburgh, Fayetteville, Bethlehem, Church of the Covenant and Sandy Grove.

6. Rev. M. McLean with Elder M. Ferguson: Galatia, Laurel Hill, Smyrna, Pee Dee, Sharon and Macedonia.

7. Rev. D. Fairley with Elder W. P. Cameron: Ron-Salem, Buffalo, Euphronia, Centre, Shoe Heel and Barbacue.

8. Rev. E. McNair D.D. with Elder D. A. McDiarmid: Mineral Spring, Ashpole, Iona, Montpelier, Rockingham and Zion.

Conclude Narrative. The Narratives from the Churches were then read, pending which Presbytery, pending which Presbytery took recess for two hours.

Recess.

After recess Presbytery met, when the reading of the reports on the Narrative was continued and

Concluded, concluded, and said reports were placed in the hands of the Committee on the Narrative.

Sys. Bus. The reports on Systematic Beneficence were called for and placed in the hands of Rev. S. C. Alexander, and reports on Sabbath Schools were handed to Rev. W. S. Lacy, agent.

Mr. Corrie, Mr. Daniel Corrie, Ruling Elder of Mark's Creek Church, appeared in Presbytery, rendered a satisfactory reason for tardiness and his name was enrolled.

Minutes of Synod. The Committee on the Minutes of Synod presented their report, which was read by the Chairman and accepted; whereupon, on motion, it was taken up seriatim, and is as follows: The Committee on the Minutes of Synod present for the consideration of Presbytery such matters as are referred specially to the same by Synod.

1st On page 332, viz: "The serious attention of each of our Presbyteries at their next sessions" is called to the importance of Sabbath School instruction. Your Committee offer the adoption of Presbytery the following resolutions, in the identical language of the Synod, viz: That Presbytery urge upon our Churches and Sessions the necessity of adopting and carrying out prompt, such plans as, in their judgment, are best calculated to excite to more earnest and successful effort to gather children, young and adults into our Sabbath Schools and to win their souls for Christ." This was adopted.

Minutes of Synod Continued.

2nd On page 326, in the address to the Churches your Committee recommend the adoption of the sentiment of the Synod, "That there is great need that Classical Schools be established in all Congregations", and earnestly exhort our people to extend the time-honoured practice of the Presbyterian Church, in establishing and maintaining parochial schools, as one of the surest means, under the blessing of God, of filling our Colleges and Seminaries with young men who shall devote themselves to the work of the Ministry. This was also adopted.

3rd Your Committee call the special attention of Presbytery to the paper touching the Evangelization of the Coloured people, page 353.

Without canvassing the whole of said paper, which is long, ably written, and in many respects most excellent, your Committee ask the Presbytery to dissent from some of the conclusions of the same, and to place the seal of its disapprobation upon some of the principles asserted.

1st Presbytery dissents from and does not believe as stated in said paper, "That it is entirely impossible to accomplish any large work for Christ among the freedmen as long as we deny their Churches and their ordained ministers full, fair and equal representation and rights in our Church courts with our white Churches"

Included. This part of the report, as above amended, was adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

Petitions for Supplies. Petitions for the services of Rev. J. A. Gibbs from Shelburne Church; from Montpelier for services of Rev. A. N. Morgan; from Lizzie Church for services of Rev. N. McKay D.D. and Ashfield Church for services of Rev. H. McCleary, of Harmony Presbytery, were read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Rev. S. C. A. Rev. S. C. Alexander, Evangelist, presented a verbal report of his labours, which was accepted.

Petition for Supply. A petition from Bethel Church for the services of Rev. E. McNair, D.D. was read and referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Records Approved. The Sessional Records of Buffalo, Cuyahoga, Shekel, and Centre were approved; and those of Jerusalem with exceptions.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet in this place at 10 o'clock a.m. to-morrow.

Closed with prayer.

Friday morning, April 6th, 1883.

The Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Leave of Absence. Rev. N. McKay D.D. and J. A. Cameron asked and obtained leave of absence after the first order of the day for this morning.

Report on Calls & Supplies. Report of the Committee on Calls and Supplies: Your Committee on Calls and Supplies would make as their report to Presbytery, the following

Continued. Recommendations: 1st. That the request of the
Montpelier session of Montpelier Church for permission to
Ferguson. employ Rev. A. N. Ferguson as Stated Supply during
the present year for the afternoons of two
Sabbaths each month, and for which they agree
and promise to pay him $300. per annum be granted.

Bethel—Dr. 2nd. That the request of the Congregations of Bethel
McNair. Church, asking leave to employ Rev. D. McNair, D.D.
as Stated Supply during the current year for
one third of his time, at a salary of $250. per an-
num, be granted.

Sherwood. 3rd. That Sherwood Church be permitted to secure
Gibbs. the services of Rev. G. M. Gibbs as Stated Supply
during the current year, for one fourth of his
time at a salary of $150. per annum.

Tirzah 4th. That Tirzah Church be permitted to secure
Dr. McKay. the services of Rev. N. McKay D.D. as Stated Supply
during the current year, "for such a part of
his time as he may be able to give them, and to
receive such a salary as they may be able to pay
him". While Presbytery does not approve of
the irregularity of this application, nevertheless
it is granted, since it is the best this Church
can do for the present.

Ashfold 5th. That Ashfold Church be granted leave to
employ Rev. H. M. Brearley, of Harmony Presbytery,
Brearley, as Stated Supply during the current year, for one
half of his time, at a salary of $400. per annum.
That while Presbytery grant the request, it feels

bound to reiterate the instructions given this
Church last Spring, and it does now earnestly
repeat them, and expects this Church to take ~~such~~
speedy steps to comply with them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Roger Mulvey. } Committee
David Fairley. } on Calls & Supplies.

Included. This Report, on motion, was adopted.

Elder Archibald Mallory, Ruling Elder of St. Paul's Church,
Chosen. appointed in Presbytery, tendered a satisfactory
reason for tardiness, and his name was enrolled.

Systematic The Committee on Systematic Beneficence
Beneficence, reported through Rev. S. C. Alexander, which was
received and re-committed.

Dr. McDougall Dr. A. McDougall obtained leave of absence
Ab. D. after this morning's session.

Report of The Committee of Home Missions, through their
Home Chairman, Dr. Reid, submitted their report, which was
Missions accepted, amended as to supplies, and adopted, and is
Committee. as follows: Report on Home Missions.

The Home Missions Committee would make
the following report to Presbytery for the year
ending April 1st, 1883:

1st. As to Ministerial Support.—We have twenty one
laboring ministers. Seventeen laboring ministers
have an average salary of $755. Sixteen, fully occu-
pied by paying charges, have ~~an~~ an average salary
of $792. This is an advance of $34. upon last
year's average. We have two ministers engaged

Continued. in teaching or other pursuits - one who is infirm and one who is labouring outside of the bounds of the Presbytery.

2nd As to Contributions and Appropriations for Sustentation.

For the year your Treasurer reports 36 Churches and one Ladies' Society and two Sabbath-Schools as contributing to Sustentation $332.84. The number of Churches contributing is 5 less than last year, and there is an increase in amount of $115.31. Fifteen of our Churches are not reported as contributing to Sustentation during the first year.

Last Fall the Home Missions Committee made appropriations for the last 6 months of 1882 as follows:

For Harmony Church	$50.00.
" Salem Church	" 25.00.
" Long Street Church	" 12.50.
Total	$87.50.

These appropriations have been fully paid, and one made to Cypress Church of $50. for repairs in the Fall of 1881. was also paid December 1st 1882.

For the current year the following appropriations have been made - to Long Street Church for 6 months $25.00

For Cameron Church to complete building - " 50.00.

" Salem Church for 6 months on condition that the Church raises for supplies appointed - " 25.00.

These amounts when paid at the present meeting of Presbytery after deducting the 15 per cent for the Assembly's Committee, will leave to the credit of Sustentation $192.82. The appropriations for the last six months of the year to the Churches

Continued. aided, or to other objects, must depend upon the contributions hereafter reported.

Greater liberality towards the Sustentation Fund should be produced, by considering the wants of feeble Churches, not only within our own bounds, but throughout the field under the care of our General Assembly.

3rd As to Contributions and appropriations for Evangelistic Work. For the year 40 Churches and one Mission Society are reported as contributing to this cause - - - - - - - - - $287.79.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	43.15.
Balance on hand April 1st 1882. after paying	244.64
15 per cent - - - - - - -	$534.20. ~~$244.64.~~
Whole amount to be appropriated - -	$728.84.
Amount paid Rev. K. McDonald as Evangelist to Sept. 18th 1882. - - - - - -	$250.00
Balance on hand - - -	" 528.84.

At the adjourned meeting at Ashville last Fall, Presbytery promised Rev. J. C. Alexander $150. per annum for doing Evangelistic work in Montgomery County for one fourth of his time. No part of this amount has yet been paid.

Eleven Churches have given to the Colored Evangelistic Fund - - - - - - - - - $45.79.

Less 15 per cent for Assembly's Committee	6.85.
Leaves - - - - - - - -	" 38.94.
Add amount, after paying 15 per cent reported April 1st 1882. - - - -	" 12.63.

Continued. Amount to be appropriated — — $51,57.

A balance of $25. due Rev. D. A. McRae for services rendered McPhatter and Mountain Grove Coloured Churches, in 1881. must be paid from this fund.

4th As to Contributions and Appropriations for Invalid Fund.

The Treasurer reports 40 Churches as contributing to this Fund during the year $279,28. Eleven Churches have contributed nothing to this object, or their contributions have not been reported. No appropriations have been asked or needed from this fund during the past year within our bounds.

5th As to Supplies for Vacant Churches.

Iona — Rev. Archibald McQueen one Sabbath and sacraments, and Candidate J. D. Currie one service per month during vacation. Rev. A. McMillan one Sabbath.

Rockingham — Rev. Roger Martin one Sabbath and sacraments. One service by Candidate J. D. Currie, and that he spend the remainder of his time during vacation in any other Churches that may become vacant during the summer, except Salem Church, otherwise supplied. Also these additional supplies — Dr. McNair, Daniel Fairley, Wm S. Lacy, A. N. Ferguson, J. H. Cobb and H. G. Kelly, one Sabbath each, and that these supplies be paid at least $10. for each visit.

Salem — Rev. J. P. McPherson two Sabbaths, Neil McKay D.D. one Sabbath, D. Fairley one Sabbath and sacraments, Wm S. Lacy one Sabbath, James McQueen, one Sabbath.

Continued. Mineral Spring — Rev. A. McMillan, one Sabbath and Sacraments.

Your Committee would make the following recommendations:—

1st That our Candidate, Brother J. D. Currie, be directed to labour in vacant Churches of this Presbytery, under the supervision of the Committee of Home Missions and Education, a portion of his four months' vacation, on a salary from the Churches served and the Sustentation fund of $150. for this time, and that he make to the fall meeting of Presbytery a report of his labours.

2nd. That the Churches of Iona and Rockingham, and any other vacant Church served by Candidate J. D. Currie, be directed to contribute to his support at least $10. for each week's service.

3rd. That the supplies appointed by Presbytery for vacant Churches during every year, be paid at least $10. for each Sabbath spent with such Churches either by the Churches themselves, or from the Sustentation fund if necessary, and that these supplies report to Presbytery whether this remuneration has been given, and any deficiency that occurs.

Respectfully submitted, H. G. Kelly Chairman.

Concluded.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to A. S. Blair, Hector McLachlan and D. McCallum after this morning's session.

Rev. S. C. Alexander Evangelistic work — $150.

The following paper, introduced by Rev. J. Evans, was read, amended and adopted, and is as follows: Resolved, That in view of the insufficient support rendered to Rev. S. C. Alexander for his faithful and energetic labours in a group of our feeble Churches, and especially in view of the Evangelistic work which he has been doing in the regions lying around his field of labour, that the Presbytery hereby order the Treasurer to pay to Brother Alexander $150, out of the Evangelistic Fund to the credit of the Presbytery, in lieu of the promise made to him at the last meeting of Presbytery in connection with Evangelistic work.

Rev. S. C. A. leave to labour out side of our bounds.

Rev. S. C. Alexander asked leave of absence after this Evening's session, and permission to labour outside of our bounds for the next six months, if the way be open, which was granted.

Report on Foreign Missions

The hour for the order of the day having arrived, viz: The Report on Foreign Missions, that subject was taken up. The services were introduced by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, conducted by Rev. Mr. McQueen.

The Report was read by the Agent, Rev. D. D. McBryde, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Report on Foreign Missions:

The Agent for Foreign Missions, in submitting his Report, would express the conviction that we, as a Church, have cause for profound

Continued. gratitude to God for this manifest blessing upon our efforts to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.

There is evidence of a growing interest in Missionary work at home and in the foreign fields.

As light is diffused and knowledge is increased, the consciences of Christians are quickened, and the advancement in Christian benevolence bear an exact ratio to the advancement in Christian intelligence. Missionary intelligence of a general kind is being more extensively diffused, and the claims of the cause are so generally admitted now that no one can dispute, or disparage them without bringing the sincerity of his own christian character into question.

This is but the twenty first year of our missionary work, yet we have seven (7.) mission stations in as many distinct nations, and connected with them we have sixty one (61.) out stations, in all of which the gospel is preached with encouraging success.

The number of our ordained missionaries is twenty (20.) and the number of female assistants is twenty six (26.) and the whole number of labourers, including native preachers, native teachers and assistants, is one hundred and four (104.)

In Greece, where Paul preached the Gospel, we have a Presbytery constituted of native ministers and Elders. Our missionary fields include two hundred and seventeen (217.) Church schools, three (3.) schools for

Continued. theological training with two (10.) pupils; also eleven (11.) boarding-schools, having an aggregate of 500 pupils. These stations, coupled with the fact that the contributions of our Churches, Sabbath-Schools and Ladies' Missionary Societies exhibit a gradual increase, furnish cause for devout gratitude and bid us to take courage, and continue to go forward in this good work.

Our own Presbytery, in which this report is mainly interested, is still, as it has been heretofore, shamefully derelict in its duty. It is among the oldest Presbyteries in our southern Zion, its natural resources and intelligence are probably a fair average, yet we continue thirty-three per cent. below the average of contributions. One fourth of our Churches fail to report any contributions at all, and some which may be considered wealthy congregations contribute less than five cents per member. The highest average reported is a fraction over two dollars per member; this, however, is but a single instance, while it is no more than many should do.

The aggregate amount reported to this Canon as contributed during the year ending April 1st 1883, is about $1,150, which is very nearly the same as ~~last year~~ contributed the preceding year; and the number of delinquent Churches one or two greater than last year. We think this, however, is owing to tardiness in making remittances in time to appear in the report for the ecclesiastical year which ends the 1st of April.

Continued. And we further state that there is evidence of some, though far too small, increase of interest in this work in a few of our Churches.

In conclusion we would appeal to the consciences of all our ministers, and entreat them by the love of a crucified Saviour, by their love for the perishing millions in heathen lands, to enlighten and stir up their people to increased interest and devotion to the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

Let the constraining love of Christ be in our own hearts. Let us endeavour to have it important to our people, and soon Zion shall arise, put on her beautiful garments and "shine clear as the sun, fair as the moon and terrible as an army with banners." Respectfully submitted.

D. D. McBryde Agent.

Pending the adoption of the above report, addresses were made by Rev. Roger Martin and Rev. H. G. Hall, D. D. After singing the missionary hymn a collection was taken up amounting to $33.55.

Concluded.

Recess. Presbytery then took recess for one hour.

After recess Presbytery met, when one of the Clerks, Mr. J. A. Cameron having obtained leave of absence, Mr. David McIntyre was appointed in his place.

Colportage. The Agent for Colportage, Rev. Joseph Evans, submitted his report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

The Committee appointed at the last Spring

Colportage Continued.

meeting of Presbytery, to arrange suitable terms on which to employ a Colporteur, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have carefully considered this whole matter, and recommend the following, viz: That the Agent of Colportage has authority to offer to Mr. D. Bethune, who has been acting with acceptance as our Colporteur, 25 per cent. on the net price of all sales of our publications effected by him, said 25 per cent. to be paid out of the Colportage fund, and that the same terms be offered to Mr. John D. Currie, our candidate. Joseph Evans.

David McIntyre.

Your Agent begs to submit the following resolutions, viz: 1st. That the Churches that have failed to take up a collection for the last year be instructed by Presbytery to do so at their earliest convenience and forward to our Treasurer.

2. That our Churches be urged to greater liberality towards this important cause.

In connection with Colportage, your Agent has to report, that of our 51 Churches, 15 (according to the Treasurer's report) have contributed to this cause $66.76, which, together with $115.69, already in the Treasury makes $182.45.

It is to be regretted that so many Churches have failed to contribute to this cause during the past year. This we think is in part due to the fact that, on the blanks sent out, Colportage

Colportage.

never here appeared, and that thus many Churches have inadvertently passed by.

During the past year no Colporteur has been at work, chiefly from the reason that your Agent did not feel authorized to offer, without authority from Presbytery, a remuneration sufficient to secure the services of a person suited to this work.

Your Agent begs to submit the following resolutions, viz:

1. That the Presbytery hereby instructs its Clerk to engross, side by side with publications, the Colportage interest.

2. That your Agent be authorized to employ Mr. D. Bethune and Mr. John D. Currie on the terms already agreed upon.

Concluded.

Report on Publication.

Rev. Joseph Evans, Agent for Publications, presented his Report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows, viz:

Your Agent for Publication begs leave respectfully to report that, since presenting our last annual report on the subject, the condition of the cause has been steadily improving. The debt that a year ago still continued to cripple the action of the Executive Committee ($5,950) has been liquidated. For a year or two it has been thought desirable, by those most competent to judge of the matter, that the contract with the Presbyterian Publishing Company should be annulled, and that the Executive Committee should assume direct control of the publishing and sale of books; and

Continued. the Executive Committee was ordered by the last General Assembly to have this effected as soon as practicable.

But this step, which it is believed will contribute much to the ultimate success of this cause, devolves an immediate necessity for capital with which to prosecute the work. To secure this capital the last General Assembly authorized the Executive Committee to issue bonds to the amount of $40.000. bearing interest at 4 per cent. payable semi-annually.

By the funds thus secured to lift the mortgage on the Publishing House, ($4.31.000.) and employ the remainder ($9,000.) together with the amount of collections for the past year 1883, as capital in running the business.

We are gratified to know, on the authority of Dr. Hoover, that our Church is showing a reviving interest in this cause by collections being more generally taken up for it and greater liberality in these collections. As regards our own Presbytery, of your 51. Churches, as the Treasurer's report shows, 35 Churches have contributed to this cause since April 1st 1882 $178.00. The Churches that have failed in their duty in this matter, I trust will yet send in their collections.

The importance of supplying our people with a healthy religious literature, and one moreover, impregnated with the spirit of our Church,

Concluded. need not be urged on the attention of any intelligent Presbyterian. It needs only to be considered to secure their hearty approval.

J. Evans, Agent.

Education. The Committee on Education presented their report, which was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee would respectfully report the following facts for the consideration of Presbytery:

Candidates. 1. We have four candidates under our care. Mr John D. Carrie is now in his senior year in Union Theological Seminary. Messrs McLeod and Clark are prosecuting their studies in Davidson College, and Mr. McAw is at the Laurinburgh High-School. As far as we can gather all of these young brethren are studying with commendable application and success, and are conducting themselves in a consistant and becoming way.

Three of them have received aid from our Central Executive Committee, which during the present scholastic year, amounts to not less than $450.

2. There has been no increase of Candidates, and no new candidates have been taken under our care during the ecclesiastical year just expiring, that is, since the last spring meeting of Presbytery.

Collections. 3. According to the Treasurer's report, 36 of our Churches have contributed to this cause. The aggregate total of these collections is $311,08. It is gratifying to state that this sum is very considerably larger than our collections for this cause last year, and

Continued. we take pleasure in noticing this marked improvement. Doubtless additional Churches have handed in their Collections since the Treasurer's accounts were closed for the current year. But up to that time, the following Churches had not reported any contributions, namely: Bethesda, Lebanon, McPherson, Cypress, China Grove, Cameron, White Hill, Fayetteville, Galatia, Sharon, Barbecue, Mineral Spring, Iona, Rockingham.

Your Committee ask for instructions as to what method should be used for reaching delinquent Churches and securing contributions from them — also for securing an increase in the contributions of all our Churches to this Cause, as it is evident that this Presbytery is recieving annually more from the Central Treasury for the candidates under its care than it is paying into the general fund.

4. We have letters in our hands in reference to Jones McKellar, Coloured, who, though not under the care of this body, nevertheless went from its bounds to Quitaloosa Institute with its knowledge and approval informally, which we will lay before this body if desired.

5th. There is perhaps no greater or more painful want felt by our Southern Church at this time than that of candidates for the gospel ministry. And while upon the whole there has been some increase within the bounds of our Church over past years, yet it has barely

Continued. proved sufficient to make up for the loss sustained by death and infirmity. Many Churches are vacant, perhaps more than ever before — some within our own Presbytery — and the men are not to be had to fill these vacancies, however anxious and willing these vacant Churches may be to secure the ministrations of the Word. There are not watchmen found to scan the walls of Zion. Hence her ways languish and mourn. Her walls are desolate and silent, and many breaches are made, and many decayed places through which the enemy comes, and the flock is often exposed to the ravener wolf. And as we are persuaded that the gracious outpouring of God's Holy Spirit upon all our Churches and the glorious revival of pure and undefiled religion throughout our bounds, will prove the speediest and most effectual way of securing an increase in the number of our Candidates (and not the lowering of the standard of ministerial education) we earnestly recommend to Presbytery to take the most earnest, vigorous and effective measures to arouse our people to a full appreciation of the danger and of the Church's great want, to a deep sense of their solemn responsibility, obligations and duty in the premises, and to urge and entreat them to pray the Lord of the harvest with ceaseless importunity and with strong cryings and tears, that He would pour out His Holy Spirit upon us all most abundantly, reviving us most graciously and sending forth more labourers into the harvest. Respectfully submitted,

Roger Gladstone
J. H. Cobb. Committee.

Education Concluded.

Leave of absence. Leave of absence was granted to W. J. Stuart, M. G. McKenzie, M. Ferguson, W. D. Cameron, and Duncan Davis.

White Hill Ro. J. McE. A request from White Hill Church, asking for the services of Rev. James McLaren one fourth of his time at a salary of $150. per annum, was read and, on motion granted.

Rockingham Church. It having come to the notice of Presbytery that Rockingham Church was anxious to secure preaching; on motion, Rev. Roger Morton was directed to correspond with its Church officers in regard to this matter.

Report on Fraternal Relations. Report on Fraternal Relations:

The Special Committee on Fraternal Relations with the Northern Presbyterian Church would report as follows: That though some part of the actions taken by the last General Assembly of the Northern Church respecting Fraternal Relations with us may be deemed unwise and unnecessary, still, regarding Fraternal Correspondence between the two bodies as established substantially upon the basis of the terms proposed by us at the Baltimore Conference, we are willing to accept it as an accomplished fact.

But in the judgment of this Presbytery, it will be best in future to maintain Fraternal Relations with the Northern Church, as with all other bodies with which we have friendly correspondence, except the Dutch Reformed Church,

Continued with which we have a Cooperative Union, by annual letter instead of by interchange of delegates.

Respectfully submitted.

R. G. Kelly

D. D. McBryde } Committee.

Concluded. On motion the above report was accepted and adopted.

Records approved. The following Sessional Records were approved: Philadelphus, Gaylesville, Lauderdale, Carthage, Rizza, Ashpole, Montpelier, Mineral Springs, Mt. Creek, Chinquapin Grove, Sardis, Mt. Pherson, Cypress, Buffalo, Enterprise, Blue Hill, Centre and Laurel Hill; and the following with exceptions, Sandy Grove, Bethlehem, Sharon, Union, Cameron, Smyrna, Galatia, Mt. Pisgah and Bon Salem.

Commissioners. The following brethren were chosen as Commissioners to the General Assembly, viz:

Rev. S. C. Alexander, principal, and Rev. Archibald McLean alternate. Elder. D. P. McEachern Ruling Elder of Montpelier Church, principal, and Mr. W. J. Stuart, Ruling Elder of Carthage Church, alternate.

Place & time of next meeting. Union Church, Moore County, N.C. was chosen as the place, and Thursday before the second Sabbath in October, 1883, at 12. o'clock M. was fixed as the time.

$40. to each Commissioner. On motion, The Treasurer of Presbytery was ordered to pay to each of our Commissioners to the General Assembly $40 for travelling expenses.

Mr. J. Bowden. A letter was received and read from Rev. N. T. Bowden assigning satisfactory reasons for absence from our

present sessions, and also from several previous meetings of this body.

Adjourned. Presbytery then adjourned to meet in this place at 10. o'clock A. M. to-morrow. Closed with prayer.

Saturday Morning, April 7th 1883.

Pres. met. Presbytery met according to adjournment and was opened with prayer. The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Minutes read.

Devotional Exc. The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a final, which was accepted, and the Committee discharged.

Narrative. The Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly made their report which was accepted and adopted and a Copy ordered to be forwarded.

Your Committee on the Narrative to the General Assembly would submit the following report:

1. We would record our humble gratitude to God for His kindness to us in preserving our lives and permitting us to labour in His vineyard for another year.

2nd. The reports from our Churches show a gratifying and growing zeal in building up the Master's Kingdom, both by Officers and members.

3. While the whole numbers added to our Churches has not been large, still nearly all our Churches report additions, and three of them report special outpourings of the Spirit, resulting in additions to the Churches, ranging from 18 to 40 members.

4. While our oblations to the Lord are far behind

Narrative continued. what they should be, still there is a growing feeling of obligation among our people to worship God with their substance, and they do it more willingly.

5. There is an increased interest in the Sabbath school work manifested by our people.

Our Schools are better organized, and the teachers more thoroughly and systematic. From these facts it is manifest that there is an advance along the whole line upon the Kingdom of Darkness, and that our progress, while not what it should be, is more hopeful and rapid than in former years.

And while we have many sins and shortcomings to mourn over we have great cause to thank God and take courage. Respectfully submitted,

D. McLaren Chairman.

Concluded. Division of Funds. The Special Committee appointed to divide the $128.41. stated by the auditing Committee to be the difference between the sum called for by the former Treasurer's back book and the amount on his own Treasurer's book at the date of settlement with the present Treasurer, October 24th 1882, would report as follows: That the present Treasurer be directed to credit the benevolent funds, with the following amounts:

Sustentation	$30.	White Evangelistic Work	$10.
Publication	" 15.	Colored " " "	[illegible]
Foreign Missions	" 30.	Education	" 15.
Invalid Fund	" 10.	Jacksonville Institute	3.41.
Colportage	" 10.	Total	$128.41.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted.
H. G. Hill, D. D. McBryde, Jos. Evans
R. Martin. Committee.

The above report was accepted and adopted.

Commission sent to McPherson Church. The Session of McPherson Church, through their Pastor, Rev. G. M. Gibbs, asked for a Commission to adjudicate a case of discipline in said Church, which was granted: Whereupon, Rev. H. G. Hill D.D. Rev. D. D. McBryde and Mr James P. Hodges, Elder, were appointed said Commission.

Report on S. Schools. The hour for the order of the day, viz: The Report on Sabbath-Schools by the Agent, Rev. Wm. S. Lacy, having arrived, said report was read and approved, and copies ordered to be forwarded to Synod and General Assembly, (See Appendix A.)

Supplemental Report. The following additional supplemental report (in addition to the report prepared to be sent to the General Assembly) was read and adopted: viz:

The Agent of Sabbath-Schools would respectfully report 1. That there has been an increase in the number of Church sessions reporting. Last year it was 32. This year it is 37. There has, however, been an increase of only three schools, as four sessions report no school and two reported none last year.

2. The following Church sessions failed to send any report this year: Barbacue, Church of the Covenant, Flat Branch, Iona, Long Street, Mount Creek,

S. Schools continued. Mount Carmel, Mt. Pisgah, Oak Dale, Rockingham, St. Andrews, Sandy Grove, Sardis and Sharon. The following sessions report no school: Harmony, Lebanon, Montpelier and Salem.

3. There has been a decrease in every aggregate ~~before last~~ a year ago, except in the number added to the Church, and the amounts contributed for home purposes and for benevolent uses, chiefly Foreign Missions. It is gratifying to note these most valuable marks of a healthy usefulness; but it is sad to record that in every other respect there has been retrogression.

4. As the General Assembly and the Synod have repeatedly called the attention of Presbyteries to the importance of this item of usefulness, and as the review of the Minutes of Synod at this meeting has already emphasized this, your Agent does not recommend any additional action.

5. Your Agent recommends that a Committee be appointed, as a year ago was done, to provide for holding a Sabbath-School Convention preceding the next meeting of Presbytery.

Concluded. Respectfully submitted Wm. S. Lacy, Agent.

Sessional Reports. On motion, the following Committee was appointed to arrange and revise sessional reports, viz: Rev. H. G. Hill D.D. Rev. J. T. McPherson and Elder E. T. McKethan, said Committee to report at our Fall sessions.

Annual Report. The Stated Clerk presented and read the Annual Report to the General Assembly, which was approved

and a copy ordered to be forwarded to that Body. (See Appendix E.)

Systematic Benevolence. The Committee on Systematic Benevolence again reported, which was accepted and adopted, and Copies ordered to be forwarded to the Synod and General Assembly. (See Appendix B.)

2a per cent. for Ass.'s Treasurer. On motion, it was ordered, that the Treasurer hereafter transmit twenty per cent. of all the funds contributed for Sustentation and Evangelistic Work to the Assembly's Treasurer, beginning with the receipts of this financial year, April 1st 1883.

S. School Committee. The following Committee was appointed to fix time and place for holding a Sabbath-School Convention this fall, and to make all necessary arrangements for the same, viz: Rev. Messrs Wm S. Lacy, Morton McLean and James McLean.

Report of F. Com. The Committee of Finance presented their report, which was read by Mr Hodges and accepted, the money ordered to be paid to the Treasurer, Rev. Wm S. Lacy, and to be published in the appendix to the minutes. (See Appendix C.)

The Committee of Finance respectfully report, that they have carefully examined the Treasurer's report, and find it neatly and accurately kept, and that the expenditures are duly sustained by proper vouchers. The Committee commend the pains and accuracy and labour which the report

Continued. shows on the part of the Treasurer.

They recommend that, instead of presenting so full and voluminous a report, the Treasurer present (See Appendix D.) the contributions of the Churches in tabulated form, making a summary of receipts and disbursements and balances as he has done in the present report.

The Committee are further of the opinion, that the care and trouble necessary to do the work ~~pertaining~~ with the Treasury demand greater compensation than has been given, and recommend that the salary be increased from $50 to $75.

The Committee further report that the total contributions from the different Churches ~~place~~ in their hands amount to $398.03, which will more fully appear by reference to the tabular form submitted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. P. Hodges, A. McDougall, R. McCaskill,
Finance Committee.

Concluded. On motion, the following Committee was appointed to revise the Standing Rules of Presbytery and report next fall, viz: Rev. Messrs Wm S. Lacy, H. G. Reid D.D. and D. D. McBryde, with Ruling Elders, J. P. Hodges & J. A. McArthur.

Com. discharged. The Committee previously appointed to revise and re-arrange the Visiting Committees was, on motion, discharged.

Montpelier.

Visiting Com'e. The Committee on third District reported one Church visited. The Committee on 4th, 5th and 6th districts reported none visited.

Statistical Report. Statistical Report to General Assembly. The Presbytery of Fayetteville would respectfully report to the General Assembly, that, at present they comprise 21 ministers and 51 Churches, and have under their care 4 candidates for the Ministry; that, on the 8th day of April 1882, they received under their care Mr. H. A. McArn as a candidate for the Gospel Ministry and on the day before the second Sabbath in November (10th) 1882, they installed Rev. G. M. Gibbs, pastor of McPherson Church. Respectfully submitted. Montpelier, N. C. April 7th 1883. J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk.

Vote of Thanks. Vote of thanks. Resolved, That the thanks of the Presbytery are eminently due and are hereby most sincerely and heartily tendered to the Congregation of Montpelier Church for the kindness shown the members of this Presbytery, and for the courteous and elegant hospitality extended the body during its sessions; and that the minister in charge announce this action to the people in the usual way.

The Minutes of this day were read and approved. On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Union Church, Moore County, N. C. on Thursday before the second Sabbath (11th) in October 1883 at 12, o'clock M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction

J. P. McPherson Stated Clerk

Note - several items of business were inadvertently overlooked - such as the order to print the Minutes, the nomination of Moderator &c.

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A. McDOUGALD,
E. McCASKILL,
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The Committee previously appointed to revise and rearrange the Visiting Committes was, on motion, discharged.

The Committee on 3rd District reported one Church visited. The Committees on 4th, 5th and 6th Districts reported none visited.

STATISTICAL REPORT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McPHERSON, *Stated Clerk.*

Montpelier Church, N. C., April 7, 1883.

VOTE OF THANKS.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Presbytery of Fayetteville are eminently due and are hereby most sincerely and heartily tendered to the congregation of Montpelier Church for the kindness shown the members of this Presbytery, and for the courteous and elegant hospitality extended the body during its sessions; and that the minister in charge announce this action to the people in the usual manner.

The minutes of this day were read and approved.

On motion, Presbytery adjourned to meet at Union Church, Moore County, N. C., on Thursday before the second Sabbath (11th) in October, 1883, at 12 M.

Closed with singing, prayer and the Apostolic benediction.

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

NOTE.—Several items of business were inadvertently overlooked—such as the order to print the Minutes, the nomination of Moderator, &c.

APPENDIX.

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Report of the Presbytery of Fayetteville to the General Assembly, for the year ending April 1st, 1883.

NAMES OF SCHOOLS.	Number on Rolls.		Average attendance.		Increase		Decrease		Number added to Church.		Amount contribut'd for your own School.	Amount contribut'd for Missionary Purposes.
	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.		
Antioch	7	60	7	50						5	$	$
Ashpole	9	108	5	60		6						5 82
Ben Salem	6	55	6	40								
Betheada	2	18									7 00	
Bethlehem	4	25	3	15								
Big Rockfish	5	20	3	18							7 15	8 50
Bluff	13	115	11	75			2	38		18		8 27
Buffalo	21	140	12	75	1	18				8	43 00	32 00
Cameron	4	33	3	24							10 00	
Carthage	15	140	10	100	6	50				1	60 00	
Centre	13	100	9	55	3	4	2	5		8	64 90	29 21
China Grove	3	12	2	9								
Cypress, (Watery Br'ch)	2	17								1	1 50	2 00
Euphronia	9	42	6	20			1	20			7 00	
Fayetteville	23	141	17	95		4			1		70 79	70 64
Galatia	8	40	4	26							8 00	
Laurel Hill	7	36	5	20						3		11 31
Laurinburg	10	104	5	58		4				5	35 09	22 14
Lumber Bridge	4	46	3	30	2	10						5 09
Lumberton	5	25	5	20						3	4 50	5 85
Macedonia	3	30	3	25								
McPherson	5	52	3	22							8 27	1 28
Mineral Spring		75		60						12		
Mount Tabor	2	20	2	15							2 00	
Philadelphus	3	40	2	30							1 00	30 02
Saint Paul's	6	90	5	60						8	10 00	
Shoe Heel	8	60	6	45	1	5	1				85 86	5 00
Smyrna	6	40	5	35			1	5		5	4 00	
Tirza	5	39	2	27							16 46	
Union	15	125	10	75						1	11 10	
White Hill	15	76	9	35								
Bethel	7	60	6	50		10				3	5 80	1 00
Sherwood	8	60	6	40		20					5 00	
	253	2144	175	1309	13	131	7	68	1	81	$468 72	$238 13

REMARKS:—Of 51 Churches, reports are made by 37. Four of these report

no Schools for different reasons. The Schools are almost invariably under Sessional control, and the pastor and elders generally attend. Special services are held with the children, usually in connection with Sunday School exercises, in which pastors address them. The catechisms are taught, and the "Earnest Worker" and "Children's Friend" generally taken. Many Churches report increased interest, though the aggregates of the reports do not show it. Only in contributions has there been any advance. The number admitted to the Lord's Table is encouraging. Our Church maintains a mission school, which maintains a scholar in Japan under Christian training. More intelligent attention is given to the work of Sabbath Schools in general by our Churches. A Presbyterial Convention is held preceding each Fall meeting.

WM. S. LACY, Agent.

SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE.

REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF FAYETTEVILLE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ON SYSTEMATIC BENEVOLENCE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1, 1883.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville respectfully present the following report to the General Assembly, touching Systematic Benevolence, for the year ending April 1st, 1883:

Thirty-five (35)	Churches contributed to	Sustentation	$ 300 00
Thirty-seven (37)	" "	Evangelistic Fund	322 00
Thirty-four (34)	" "	Invalid Fund	246 00
Thirty-eight (38)	" "	Foreign Missions	1,616 00
Thirty-seven (37)	" "	Education	311 00
Thirty-four (34)	" "	Publication	226 00
Fifteen (15)	" "	Tuskaloosa Institute	60 00
Total			$3,081 00

Of our fifty-one (51) Churches fourteen (14) have contributed to all seven objects of benevolence ordered by the General Assembly; fifteen (15) Churches have contributed to six of these objects; five (5) to five of them; three (3) to four of them; one (1) to three of them; one (1) to two of them, and one (1) to one of them. Eleven Churches make no report.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

COLLECTIONS BY FINANCE COMMITTEE AT PRESBYTERY,

NAME OF CHURCHES.	Sustentation.	Evangel'c Fund.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions	Education.	Publication.	Colportage.	Tuskal'a Institute	Presby'l Fund.	Totals.
Cypress									$ 5 00	$ 5 00
China Grove									5 00	5 00
Sherwood	$ 2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	$ 2 00	$ 2 00				12 00
Galatia	2 70	3 27	4 38							10 35
Laurinburg									10 00	10 00
Ashpole									6 50	6 50
St. Paul's				24 00	2 80	2 64		1 60		24 00
Ladies' Missionary Society, St. Paul's	3 10				2 15	2 59				10 14
Mineral Springs	3 65	6 70		10 57	3 00				10 00	35 66
Sandy Grove	3 00		2 00	4 00	4 00				3 00	15 00
Mark's Creek	2 16		2 50						20 00	28 66
Bethel				2 60					10 00	12 60
Sardis					5 18				3 00	8 18
Cameron									12 00	12 00
Philadelphus					1 38				5 00	9 18
White Hill	1 40			1 40					8 00	8 00
Big-Rockfish					19 46	10 82			12 00	50 18
Bethesda		7 90								
Antioch			5 85	5 35	2 50					5 35
Ladies' Missionary Society, Antioch									5 00	13 35
Lebanon									15 00	15 00
Smyrna					12 97	4 00		2 91	20 00	61 88
Union	8 00	8 00	6 00						10 00	10 00
Ben-Salem									10 00	10 00
Tirza									20 00	20 00
Laurel Hill										
Totals	$26 01	$27 87	$22 73	$49 92	$55 44	$22 05		$4 51	$189 50	$398 03

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville in account with Wm. S. Lacy, Treasurer.

HOME MISSIONS, (SUSTENTATION.)

Dr.		
1882. Dec. 9—To amount paid E. E. Atkins, carpenter, for work on Cypress Church, by order Chairman Home Missions Committee to D. McLauchlin,	$ 50 00	
1883. March 28—To am't forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being 15 per cent. of collections	48 73	
" " To cash in Bank,	380 06	
		$478 79
Cr.		
1882. Oct. 24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee, (of which $50.70 had not paid the 15 per cent. to the General Assembly's Treasury)	204 65	
Oct. 25—Laurinburg Church	8 51	
Nov. 17—Pee Dee	3 00	
1883. Jan. 4—Laurinburg (additional)	9 44	
" 19—Antioch	6 60	
" 25—Centre S. S. New Year offering	5 51	
" " —Shoe Heel Ditto	5 00	
Feb. 2—Church of the Covenant	10 00	
" 6—Shoe Heel	50 00	
" "—Centre	16 00	
" "—Bluff	10 00	
" 10—Sardis	8 64	
" "—Philadelphus	1 83	
" 13—Euphronia	5 00	
" "—Mt Pisgah	2 00	
" 27—Buffalo	17 00	
" "—Big Rockfish	4 00	
M'rch 1—Laurel Hill	15 70	
" "—Smyrna	8 50	
" "—Montpelier	10 10	
" "—Centre (additional)	8 00	
" 3—St. Paul's	12 00	
" 8—St. Andrew's	4 00	
" 14—McPherson	2 10	
" 20—Harmony	1 25	
" 21—Carthage	5 00	
" "—Laurinburg (additional)	5 52	
" "—Lumber Bridge	11 35	
" 24—Ashpole	20 00	
" "—Mt. Tabor	2 00	
" 27—Bethlehem	1 45	
" "—Long Street	1 88	
" "—Long Street (Home Missions)	2 76	
		$478 79

HOME MISSIONS, (EVANGELISTIC FUND.)

1883.	**Dr.**		
March 28	—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being 15 per cent. of collections	$ 42 42	
" "	" Cash in Bank	497 05	
			$539 47
1882.	**Cr.**		
Oct'r 24	—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee, (of which $44.40 had not paid the 15 per cent. to the General Assembly's Treas'ry)	301 08	
" 25	—Flat Branch	2 00	
" "	—St. Paul's	10 00	
" "	—Ben-Salem	3 00	
" "	—Macedonia	2 00	
" "	—Laurinburg	7 42	
" "	—Smyrna	15 80	
" "	—Laurel Hill	10 00	
" 30	—Philadelphus	3 51	
Nov. 6	—St. Andrew's	10 00	
" 7	—Buffalo	22 14	
" 14	—Bethlehem	3 73	
Dec. 13	—Salem	3 85	
" 23	—Bluff	8 00	
" "	—Centre	14 50	
" "	—Shoe Heel	26 16	
1883.			
Jan. 4	—Laurinburg (additional)	5 78	
" "	—Lumberton	8 23	
" 9	—Euphronia	8 00	
" 18	—Ashpole	23 80	
" "	—Fayetteville (Home Mission Circle)	9 35	
" 24	—Cypress	2 72	
Feb. 2	—Church of the Covenant	10 00	
" 10	—Sardis	6 35	
" "	—Philadelphus (additional)	1 00	
" 13	—Mt Pisgah	1 00	
" 27	—Big Rockfish	2 00	
M'ch 20	—Harmony	1 10	
" 21	—Carthage	2 00	
" "	—Laurinburg (additional)	7 75	
" 24	—Mt. Tabor	1 00	
" 27	—Long Street	6 20	
			$539 47

HOME MISSIONS, (EVANGELIZATION OF THE COLORED PEOPLE.)

1883.	**Dr.**		
M'ch 28	—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being 15 per cent. of collections	$ 6 87	
" "	—To Cash in Bank	44 68	
			$ 51 55
1882.	**Cr.**		
Oct. 24	—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	5 76	
" 30	—Philadelphus	2 36	
Nov. 14	—Bethlehem	2 50	
Dec. 23	—Centre	6 18	
" "	—Shoe Heel	10 00	
" 26	—Lumber Bridge	4 00	
	Amount carried forward	$ 30 80	

1883.	**Cr.**		
	Amount brought forward	$ 30 80	
Jan. 4	—Laurel Hill	8 30	
" "	—Smyrna	2 00	
" "	—Montpelier	3 00	
M'ch 12	—Buffalo	5 00	
" "	—Euphronia	2 00	
" 20	—Harmony	45	
			$ 51 55

INVALID FUND.

1882.	**Dr.**		
Nov. 17	—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being balance on hand from former Treasurer	$ 45 07	
1883.			
Jan. 29	—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being collections to date	64 50	
M'ch 28	—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being collections to date	22 88	
			$132 45
1882.	**Cr.**		
Oct. 24	—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	45 07	
" 25	—Flat Branch	2 00	
" "	—Ben-Salem	2 00	
" "	—Macedonia	1 50	
" "	—Laurinburg	8 28	
Nov. 7	—Buffalo	7 07	
" 17	—Pee Dee	3 00	
1883.			
Jan. 4	—Laurinburg (additional)	5 40	
" "	—Lumberton	8 32	
" 18	—Ashpole	23 63	
" 29	—Euphronia	3 30	
Feb 2	—Church of the Covenant	5 00	
" 10	—Sardis	7 05	
" "	—Philadelphus	1 00	
" 13	—Mt. Pisgah	1 00	
M'ch 20	—Harmony	1 00	
" 21	—Carthage	2 00	
" "	—Laurinburg (additional)	4 13	
" 24	—Mt. Tabor	1 00	
" 27	—Euphronia (additional)	70	
			$132 45

PUBLICATION.

1883.	**Dr.**		
Jan. 29	—To amount forwarded Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Treasurer, being collections to date	$ 21 75	
M'ch 28	—To amount forwarded Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., Treasurer, being collections to date	74 58	
			$ 96 33
1882.	**Cr.**		
Oct. 24	—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	1 00	
" 25	—Laurinburg	5 40	
Nov. 17	—Pee Dee	3 00	
	Amount carried forward	$ 9 40	

1883.	Cr.		
	Amount brought forward	$ 9 40	
Jan.	4—Laurinburg (additional)	7 50	
"	"—Lumberton	1 85	
"	9—Euphronia	3 00	
Feb.	2—Church of the Covenant	8 00	
"	13—Mt. Pisgah	2 00	
M'ch	3—St. Paul's	7 85	
"	14—Laurel Hill	9 65	
"	"—Smyrna	4 50	
"	"—Montpelier	2 30	
"	19—Philadelphus	2 45	
"	21—Carthage	2 73	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	4 30	
"	"—Lumber Bridge	7 65	
"	23—Antioch	3 00	
"	24—Mt. Tabor	2 00	
"	26—St. Andrews	3 00	
"	27—Bethlehem	59	
"	"—Long Street	2 06	
"	"—Big Rockfish	4 50	
"	"—Buffalo	8 00	
			$ 96 33

COLPORTAGE.

1883.	Dr.		
M'ch	28—To Cash in Bank	$115 69	
			$115 69
1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	$ 76 20	
"	25—Laurinburg	2 43	
Nov.	17—Pee Dee	1 00	
Dec.	23—Bluff	8 00	
1883.			
Jan.	4—St. Andrew's	3 00	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	3 53	
"	"—Lumberton	3 77	
Feb.	2—Church of the Covenant	5 61	
"	10—Sardis	2 52	
"	27—Big Rockfish	4 00	
M'ch	21—Laurinburg (additional)	4 63	
"	24—Mt. Tabor	1 00	
			$115 69

EDUCATION.

1882.	Dr.		
Nov.	17—To amount forwarded G. W. MacRae, Treasurer, being balance on hand from former Treasurer	$103 97	
1883.			
Jan.	29—To amount forwarded G. W. MacRae, Treasurer, being collections to date	221 01	
M'ch	28—To amount forwarded G. W. MacRae, Treasurer, being collections to date	49 57	
			$374 55

1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	$103 97	
"	25—Laurinburg	6 96	
Nov.	17—Pee Dee	9 65	
"	24—Antioch	6 00	
Dec.	11—Smyrna	7 60	
"	"—Montpelier	4 25	
"	"—Laurel Hill	19 65	
"	13—Salem	1 25	
"	23—Bluff	9 00	
"	"—Centre	14 85	
"	"—Shoe Heel	29 10	
"	"—Philadelphus	7 00	
"	26—Lumber Bridge	29 00	
1883.			
Jan.	4—St. Andrew's	5 00	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	7 50	
"	"—Lumberton	5 35	
"	8—Buffalo	12 56	
"	9—Euphronia	5 00	
"	11—St. Paul's	20 00	
"	18—Ashpole	21 29	
Feb.	2—Church of the Covenant	10 00	
"	10—Sardis	7 27	
"	13—Mt. Pisgah	3 00	
"	27—Big Rockfish	5 00	
M'ch	20—Harmony	3 00	
"	21—Carthage	5 00	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	7 03	
"	22—Mt. Carmel	2 00	
"	24—Mt. Tabor	4 00	
"	27—Bethlehem	52	
"	"—Long Street	2 75	
			$374 55

TUSKALOOSA INSTITUTE.

1883.	Dr.		
Jan.	29—To amount forwarded Dr. J. T. Searcy, Treasurer, being balance on hand from former Treasurer, and collections to date	$ 46 02	
M'ch	28—To amount forwarded Dr. J. T. Searcy, Treasurer, being collections to date	23 88	
			$ 69 90
1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	19 97	
Nov.	17—Pee Dee	2 00	
Dec.	23—Centre	4 00	
"	"—Shoe Heel	4 50	
1883.			
Jan.	4—Laurel Hill	3 25	
"	"—Smyrna	3 85	
"	"—St. Andrews	3 00	
"	"—Philadelphus	1 05	
"	19—Antioch	4 40	
Feb.	6—Bluff	5 00	
	Amount carried forward	$ 51 02	

1883.	Cr.		
	Amount brought forward	$ 51 02	
Feb.	13—Mt. Pisgah	1 00	
"	27—Big Rockfish	3 00	
M'ch	21—Laurinburg	7 63	
"	27—Bethlehem	25	
"	"—Buffalo	5 00	
"	"—Euphronia	2 00	
			$ 69 90

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1882.	Dr.		
Nov.	17—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being balance on hand from former Treasurer,	$ 40 99	
1883.			
Jan.	29—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being collections to date	311 17	
M'ch	28—To amount forwarded L. C. Inglis, Treasurer, being collections to date	205 71	
			$557 87
1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	40 99	
"	25—Flat Branch	3 00	
"	"—Presbyterial collection at Sherwood	10 50	
"	"—Ben-Salem	4 00	
"	"—Macedonia	2 50	
"	"—Laurinburg	16 13	
"	"—Laurel Hill S. S.	5 30	
Nov.	1—St. Paul's Ladies' Missionary Society	29 00	
"	"—Mt. Tabor	13 00	
"	6—Buffalo	28 26	
"	7—Buffalo	22 31	
"	14—Bethlehem Ladies' Missionary Society	1 40	
"	16—Laurinburg S. S.	2 73	
"	17—Pee Dee	7 00	
Dec.	11—Laurel Hill	38 75	
"	16—Laurinburg Ladies' Missionary Society	15 00	
"	23—Philadelphus S. S.	5 00	
1883.			
Jan.	4—Laurel Hill S. S.	5 70	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	6 60	
"	"—Lumberton	21 74	
"	6—Centre (additional)	16 25	
"	8—Buffalo Ladies' Missionary Society	25 00	
"	9—Euphronia	19 00	
"	29—Buffalo S. S.	13 00	
Feb.	2—Church of the Covenant	26 42	
"	"—Church of the Covenant Ladies' Aid Society	5 00	
"	10—Sardis	20 50	
"	"—Philadelphus	2 00	
"	13—Big Rockfish Ladies' Missionary Society	18 00	
"	"—Mt. Pisgah	3 00	
"	17—Elwood Ladies' Missionary Society	28 00	
M'ch	14—Laurinburg S. S.	8 04	
"	16—Cypress, Watery Branch S. S.	2 00	
"	19—Buffalo, Ladies' Missionary Society	25 00	
	Amount carried forward	$490 12	

1883.	Cr.		
	Amount brought forward	$490 12	
M'ch	19—Buffalo Sunday School	3 00	
"	20—Harmony	3 50	
"	21—Carthage	10 00	
"	"—Laurinburg (additional)	6 14	
"	27—Bethlehem Ladies' Missionary Society	74	
"	"—Long Street	2 00	
"	"—Euphronia Ladies' Missionary Society	25 00	
"	28—Laurinburg Ladies' Missionary Society	15 00	
"	"—Philadelphus Sunday School	2 37	
			$557 87

PRESBYTERIAL FUND.

1882.	Dr.		
Oct.	24—To Blank Book for Treasurer	$ 1 75	
Nov.	4—To printing and binding Receipts, (500), Garrett & Myrover	3 00	
Dec.	14—To amount sent J. H. Lindsay, Treasurer of Synod of North Carolina, being Presbyterial assessment due Sept., 1882	50 00	
1883.			
Feb.	6—To Presbyterial blanks, sent Stated Clerk, Whittet & Shepperson	16 45	
M'ch	28—To Cash in Bank	110 05	
			$181 25
1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	$ 56 37	
"	25—Sandy Grove	5 25	
1883.			
Feb.	2—Church of the Covenant	8 00	
"	10—Philadelphus	1 00	
"	13—Mt. Pisgah	5 00	
"	27—Daniel McCallum, overplus of expenses as Commissioner to General Assembly	10 00	
M'ch	3—St. Paul's	15 00	
"	8—St. Andrew's	6 00	
"	21—Carthage	12 00	
"	"—Lumber Bridge	8 00	
"	23—Antioch	11 00	
"	26—Barbacue	8 63	
"	27—Buffalo	25 00	
"	"—Euphronia	10 00	
			$181 25

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND.

1882.	Dr.		
1883.			
M'ch	28—To Cash in Bank	$ 50 00	
			$ 50 00
1882.	Cr.		
Oct.	24—By Cash in Bank, according to report of Auditing Committee	$ 50 00	
			$ 50 00

MIZPEH CHURCH FUND—*Undistributed Balance.*

1882.	Dr.		
1883.			
M'ch 28	—To Cash in Bank	$128 41	
			$128 41
1882.	Cr.		
Oct. 24	—To Cash in Bank—discrepancy—according to report of Auditing Committee, after examination of Treasurer's Book, and comparing with bank account	128 41	
			$128 41

SUMMARY OF REPORT OF TREASURER.

Aggregate Receipts—From former Treasurer		$1,033 47	
" Churches and others		1,742 79	
			$2,776 26
Aggregate Disbursements			1,450 32
Balance on hand			$1,325 94
Sustentation—Balance	$ 204 65		
Receipts	274 14	$478 79	
Disbursements		98 73	
Balance on hand March 28			$380 06
Evangelistic Fund—Balance	$ 301 08		
Receipts	238 39	$539 47	
Disbursements		42 42	
Balance on hand March 28			497 05
Evangelistic Fund, Colored—Balance	$ 5 76		
Receipts	45 79	$ 51 55	
Disbursements		6 87	
Balance on hand March 28			44 68
Invalid Fund—Balance	$ 45 07		
Receipts	87 38	$132 45	
Disbursements		132 45	
Publication—Balance	$ 1 00		
Receipts	95 33	$ 96 33	
Disbursements		96 33	
Colportage—Balance	$ 76 20		
Receipts	39 49	$115 69	
Balance on hand March 28			115 69
Education—Balance	$ 103 97		
Receipts	270 58	$374 55	
Disbursements		374 55	
Tuskaloosa Institute—Balance	$19 97		
Receipts	49 93	$ 69 90	
Disbursements		69 90	
Foreign Missions—Balance	$ 40 99		
Receipts	516 88	$557 87	
Disbursements		557 87	
Presbyterial Fund—Balance	$ 56 37		
Receipts	124 88	$181 25	
Disbursements		71 20	
Balance on hand March 28			$110 05

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT—*Continued.*

Mizpeh Church Fund—Balance	$ 50 00	
Balance on hand March 28		$ 50 00
Undistributed Balance—Balance	$128 41	
Balance on hand March 28		$128 41

Respectfully submitted,

WM. S. LACY, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF TREASURER.

Since closing accounts, 28th March, and forwarding amounts to their respective destinations, I have received the following contributions, which are herewith reported to Presbytery, and will be incorporated in the next Annual Report. Very respectfully,

WM. S. LACY, Treasurer.

M'ch 29—Centre Church, for Publication	$ 14 00	
" "— " " " Presbyterial Assessment	15 00	
" "—Shoe Heel Church, for Publication	32 75	
" "— " " " Presbyterial Assessment	10 00	
" 30—Bluff Church, for Publication	6 00	
" "— " " " Foreign Missions	24 80	
" 31—Ben-Salem Church for Sustentation	2 00	
" "— " " " Education	3 00	
" "— " " " Publication	2 00	
" "—Macedonia Church, " Sustentation	3 00	
" "— " " " Education	1 00	
" "— " " " Publication	1 00	
" "— " " " Presbyterial Assessment	5 00	
" "—Flat Branch " " Sustentation	2 00	
" "— " " " Evangelistic Fund	1 00	
" "— " " " Invalid Fund	1 00	
" "— " " " Foreign Missions	2 00	
" "— " " " Education	1 00	
" "— " " " Publication	1 00	
" "— " " " Presbyterial	3 00	
" "—Tirza Church, " Education	7 00	
" "— " " Sustentation	3 00	
" "— " " Foreign Missions	3 00	
" "— " " Invalid Fund	2 00	
" "— " " Evangelistic Fund	3 00	
" "— " " Publication	2 00	
" "—McPherson Church " Publication	2 07	
" "— " " " Presbyterial Fund	8 00	
		$160 62
M'ch 29—Remitted Rev. J. K. Hazen, D. D., for Publication, Centre and Shoe Heel collections		$ 46 75
		$113 87
Additional balance		
SUMMARY.—Receipts for Publication	$ 60.82	
" " Education	12.00	
" " Presbyterial	41.00	
" " Sustentation	10.00	
" " Foreign Missions	29.80	
" " Invalid Fund	3.00	
" " Evangelistic Fund	4.00	
		$160 62
Disbursements, Publication		46 75
Balance		$113 87

PRESBYTERIAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The Presbytery of Fayetteville reports to the General Assembly that it consists of 21 Ministers, and has under its care 51 Churches and 4 Candidates, viz:

MINISTERS, Etc.	POST OFFICES.	CHURCHES.	Elders.	Deacons.	Ad'd on Examination.	Added on Certificate.	Total of Communicants.	Adults Baptized.	Infants Baptized.	Number Baptized Not Communicants.	Number in S. S. and Bible Classes.	Sustentation.	Evangelistic.	Invalid Fund.	Foreign Missions.	Ladies' Missionary Societies.	Education.	Publication.	Pastors' Salaries Actually Paid.	Sums Actually Paid to Treasurer of Presbytery.	Congregational.	Colored Evangelistic.	Miscellaneous.	Presbyterial.
Hector McLean, P.	Melrose, N. C.	Antioch, P.	7	6	6	4	144		3	100	60	$ 6 60	$ 2 85	$ 4 00	$ 46 24	$ 10 35	$ 6	$ 6 17	$ 200	$ 86 61	$ 3 45	$ 4 40	$ 8 40	$ 11
" " "	" "	Philadelphus, P.	6	5	1		101		3	44	40	1 88	4 51	6 60	8 00	5 00	7	2 45	150	48 80	2 25	2 36	20	12
E. McNair, D. D., S. S.	Red Banks, N. C.	Bethesda, S. S.	4	3	1	8	139		2	48	18		7 90	11 52	16 02	31 00	19 46	10	235 50				16	12
" " " S. S.	" "	Bethel, S. S.	5	5	3	7	167		9		60	2 16		2 50	21 47	46 00	4							20
" " " S. S.	" "	Lebanon, S. S.	3	1			44				24	6 15	5 85	3 00	5 00		3 50	2 15	73 25					5
J. P. McPherson, S. S.	Fayetteville, "	Lumber B'dge, S. S.	4	3	2		86	1	2		45	11 35	13 76	6 38	36 56		29	7 65	219 90	116 70	12 80		5 44	8
" " "	" "	Long Street, S. S.	3	4	1		55					2 76	6 20	2 75	4 63		2 75	2 06						4 52
" " "	" "	Barbacus, S. S.	3	3	2	1	140				30								95					10
Neill McKay, D. D., S. S.	Lillington, "	Tirza, S. S.	4	2	3	4	58		2	71	39	3 00	3 00	2 00	3 00		7	2			125			
" " " "	" "	Flat Branch, S. S.	4	2	5	2	75	2	4	50	28	2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00		1	1			3			8
George M. Gibbs, P.	Fayetteville, "	McPherson's, P.	3	6			86		3		42	2 09	2 00	2 10	7 70		4	2 85	3	28 74	10 65			5
" " " S. S.	" "	Cypress, S. S.	5	7	2		80		2	25	35		2 72		7 00				95		404 35			
" " " "	" "	China Grove, S. S.	1				32			12		2 00	1 00	1 00	2 00		1	1	120					
" " " "	" "	Sherwood, S. S.	1				45				35	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00				124		15			
A. McMillan, W. C.	Laurel Hill, "																							
S. C. Alexander, S. S.	Wadesboro, "	Harmony, S. S.	5	2	8		92	4	1	75		6 10	3 25	3 00	7 50		4					25	45	5
" " "	" "	Mt. Carmel, S. S.	5	4			75																	
" " "	" "	Mark's Creek, S. S.	3	1			40														72 10		4 36	
" " "	" "	Mineral Sp'ng, S. S.	3	4	17	1	147	3	2	75	75	3 10		10 25	12 06		2 80	2 64	84		30	8 60		13
D. D. McBryde, P.	Lit. Riv. Academy, N. C.	Bluff, P.	5	7	43		242	12	4	150	100	12 50	8 00	10 00	57 68	13 04	9	4 50	377 35	87	5	1 50	13 95	10
" " S. S.	" " " "	Sardis, S. S.	3	3	1	2	43	1	2	15		8 64	6 35	7 05	37 85	50 00	7 27	2 52	300	52 33	35			12
Martin McQueen, P.	Carthage, N. C.	Carthage, P.	8	5	1		153	1	1	45	140	5 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	21 00	5	2 73	200	38 73				20
" " "	" "	Union, P.	7	7	2	2	300	1	9	60	125	8 00	8 00	6 00	32 47	30 00	12 97	4	175	61 93				
" " S. S.	" "	Cameron, S. S.	2	1	3	8	44	1									5 18		60			102		
James McQueen, S. S.	Swann's Station, N. C.	St. Andrew's, S. S.	5	5	5	1	144	2	6	81	91	4 00	10 00	5 00	20 00		5	2	231	55	47	3		6
" " "	" " "	Mt. Pisgah, S. S.	4	4	1		64		1	25		2 00	1 00	1 00	3 00		3	2	103 75	18	150			5
" " "	" " "	White Hill, S. S.	3	3	2	1	48	2	4		91	1 40	1 70	2 50	10 20		1 38		150	22 18				5
N. T. Bowden, W. C.	Covington, N. C.																							
Joseph Evans, P.	Athens, N. C.	St. Paul's, P.	4	5	17		164	8	6	76	90	12 00	10 00	12 00	50 00	53 00	20	7 85	341	155 85		78	21 65	15
" " "	" "	Big Rockfish, P.	4	6	2		136		8		25	4 00	2 00	3 00	21 00	30 00	5	4 50	201	46 30		7 50		8
" " S. S.	" "	Lumberton, S. S.	3	2	3	1	43			35	25		8 23	8 32	21 74		5 35	5 62	300	49 26	4 50		5 85	
" " "	" "	Mt. Tabor, S. S.	2	1	1		51				20	2 00	1 00	1 00	13 00		4	3		24				
Arch'd McQueen, infirm	Queensdale, N. C.																							
John H. Coble, P.	Laurinburgh, "	Laurinburgh, P.	8	4	8	12	131	2	5	84	104	23 47	20 93	17 81	50 37	30 00	21 47	18 14	930 07	148 01	110 45	13 30	60 56	10
H. G. Hill, D. D., P.	Fayetteville, "	Fayetteville, P.	6	6	9	1	179	2	7	185	141	23 07	14 55	8 18	66 92	65 60	12 72	8 95	1200	71 30	445	3	18 96	25
" " " S. S.	" "	Bethlehem, S. S.	1	2		1	25		4	15	25	2 50	3 73	39	3 22	2 28	52	1 80	56 78	21 46		2 50		3
David Fairley, P.	Manchester, "	Ch. of Covenant, P.	2			2	22			25	50	10 00	10 00	5 00	26 42	5 00	10	8 00	300	88 03			5 61	8
" " S. S.	" "	Galatia, S. S.	8	6	3	2	123	1	8	95	40	2 70	3 27	4 38	9 52				250	19 87				12
" " "	" "	Sandy Grove, S. S.	5	3	4	2	89		11		20	3 65	6 70		10 51		2 15	2 59	214	25 60	125			10
Angus N. Ferguson, P.	Laurinburgh, "	Laurel Hill, P.	5	4	16	2	180	2	3		36	15 70	10 00	20 25	90 00		19 65	15 15	400	183 41	36 33	8 40		20
" " " S. S.	" "	Smyrna, S. S.	5	3	13	4	170	2	2		40	8 50	15 70	9 10	19 30		7 60	9 90	320	75 65	6 78	2	2 75	15
" " " "	" "	Montpelier, S. S.	5	2								10 10	4 25	2 30						19 55		3	2 25	
K. McIntyre, S. S.	Ridge's Creek, N. C.	Ben Salem, S. S.	6	2	6	5	100	4	4		40	2 00	3 00	2 00	4 00		3	2	200					10
" " "	" " "	Sharon, S. S.	7	3	10		75			15	30	2 00	1 00	1 00	5 00		1	1	169 50					5
" " "	" " "	Pee Dee, S. S.	3	2	1		25	1	1	7	36	8 95	3 00	7 00			6 75	5 02	200		2 50			10
" " "	" " "	Macedonia, S. S.	6	1			102		3		25	2 00	3 00	1 50	2 50		2	1	75					5
Wm. S. Lacy, P.	Jonesborough, "	Buffalo, P.	9	7	15		243	6	8	114	152	17 00	22 14	15 07	134 57	50 00	12 56	12	666 66	248 34	151	10	72 50	25
" " "	" "	Euphronia, P.	5	3	2		105	1		66	42	5 00	8 00	4 00	19 00	25 00	5 00	3	312	83		2		10
Roger Martin, P.	Shoe Heel, "	Centre, P.	5	7	8		156	1	3	160	100	24 00	14 00	23 00	83 95	104 82	14 85	14	563	181 79	88 57	6 10	100 36	15
" " "	" " "	Shoe Heel, P.	3	4		5	43		4		60	50 00	26 16	29 85	95 00	39 42	29 10	32 75	400	282 86	386 82	10	69 59	10
Daniel A. McRae, Ev.	San Augustine, Texas.																							6 50
		Ashpole, S. S.	9	5	8	5	250	3	8		108	20 00	23 80	23 63	35 00		21 29	9 55	339					
		Iona, V.	no	re	por	t.	95																1 07	5
		Salem, V.	2	2			24	7		24				2 00	4 47				75					
		Rockingham, V.	no	re	por	t.	16																	
			219	173	235	83	5191	70	145	1777	2287	341 32	307 55	$292 43	$1115 87	$611 51	$344 32	$223 54	$10509 76	$2340 30	$2272 80	268 19	429 30	399 02

Pastoral relations formed one, licensures none, ordinations none, intallations one, pastoral relations dissolved none, churches organized none, churches dissolved none, churches received from other denominations none, churches dismissed to other denominations none, ministers received from other denominations none, ministers dismissed to other denominations none. No deaths. By order of the Presbytery:

J. P. McPHERSON, Stated Clerk.

MONTPELIER CHURCH, April 7th, 1883.

Visiting Com'e.

Statistical Report.

Votes of Thanks.

Examined and Approved at
Wilmington, N. C. Nov. 17th, 1883.

T. H. Johnston
Moderator

Visiting Com.

Statistical Report.

Vote of Thanks.

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Wilmington, N. C. Nov. 17th, 1888.
J. H. Johnston
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Mod. Synod N. C.

Your committee appointed to examine the records of Fayetteville Presbytery - would report ~~that~~ approving the records as far as written

Respectfully Submitted
W. J. Darnell Ch.

Goldsboro N. C.

Hartford	SS	0	Ap	83
Ar[illegible]	SS	270 00	Ap	82
B[illegible]	SS	8[illegible].50	Ap	81
Lawrenceville	SS	88.60	Ap	80
St [illegible]	SS	0	Ap	79
Iowa	SS		Ap	78
Pittsfield	V	88	Ap	77
Cincinnati	S.S.	150	Ap	76
Rockingham	V	0	Ap	75
Ashfield	S.S	0	Ap	74
Pri[illegible]	?	0	Ap	73